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Keren Declared to Be In Desperate Position

Italians Suffer Heavy Losses in Bitter Defense of Key Town

London, Mar. 19.

KEREN, which will decide the fate of Italian Eritrea and perhaps the whole of Italian East Africa, now appears to be in an increasingly desperate position, according to reports from British and Italian sources in the past 24 hours.

Dispatches from Khartoum, British communiques from Cairo and Nairobi and an Italian communique from Rome tell the story of heavy Italian losses in bitter counter-attacks against the beleaguering British Imperial Army.

A British Army communique from Cairo reports pressure by Imperial and patriot forces in Abyssinia is being maintained successfully over a wide area against retreating Italians while British troops are extending their area of occupation in British Somaliland.

All the Italian forces which seized British Somaliland are trapped between two British armies, according to a military commentator in the newspapers.

A South African column which struck northward into Abyssinia is approaching Jijiga, thus cutting the roads leading from Berbera, capital of British Somaliland captured on Monday, to Addis Ababa.

The Italian forces which evacuated Berbera may be forced to surrender or take refuge in French Somaliland, where they would presumably be interned.

Superior Numbers Faced

From the north British and French troops are pushing across a wilderness of ridges towards the road leading from Keren. Several heights still held by the Italians separate them from the road, which is ideal for defence.

The British have to assail positions which the Italians have had a month to prepare, and they are faced with greatly superior numbers, estimated at 30,000.

The battle of Keren, therefore, is expected to last several days.

R.A.F. Very Active

Meanwhile British planes roared back and forth all over Africa yesterday, bombing and machine-gunning Italian positions, transports and troops.

The latest communique issued by the R.A.F. headquarters in the Middle East summarizes R.A.F. operations as follows:

In Eritrea.—There was continued activity by fighter and bomber aircraft of the R.A.F. in the Keren area yesterday. Troops and gun positions on Mount Sanchil were dive-bombed and machine-gunned, and a railway south-east of the hill was also attacked. During these operations an Italian CR-42 was intercepted and shot down.

Four More Craft Downed

In Abyssinia.—Enemy troops and motor transport vehicles in the Harar-Jijiga area were attacked by machinegun fire of the South African air force. An enemy aircraft which was machine-gunned at Jijiga on March 10 was observed to be burned out. Four more Italian aircraft are known to have been destroyed in engagements with South African aircraft near Daggabur and Diredawa on March 13 and 15.

In Libya.—A heavy attack was carried out on the harbour at Tripoli during the night of March 16 and 17 by R.A.F. bombers. A direct hit was observed on the Spanish mole. Other bombs straddled shipping and quays. Large fires were started on the south side of the harbour in hangars and among military stores, while explosions were seen at a railway depot and near a wireless station.

From all these operations, it is added, only one British aircraft is missing.—Reuter.

Heavy Attack on Tripoli

Cairo, Mar. 19.

A heavy attack was made by the R.A.F. on Tripoli Harbour on Sunday night.—Reuter.

Epic of Berbera's Recapture Told

Breathless Moment When Operation Depended on Success of Four Men

London, Mar. 19.

An epic story of the recapture of Berbera, capital of British Somaliland, was told in a cable received from Aden last night.

At one point the success of the whole operation depended on four men in a boat stealing silently towards the Somaliland coast, while the outstanding impression left by the operation was of the unquenchable loyalty of the Somalis, whose territory had been usurped by the Italians.

About midnight on March 15-16, a liberating fleet consisting of troopships convoyed by warships stole silently towards the coast.

Two landings were planned. The western landing was to be carried out by Arabs and Somalis specially recruited at Aden under British officers.

Job Well Done

After an apparently interminable period of waiting, a signal flashed news of the successful accomplishment of this task, suddenly, at zero hour, the flash and thunder of naval gunfire shattered the quiet of the night, and naval shells ripped through the air, exploding inland.

Later it was learned that although large numbers of Italians had left the town under cover of darkness shortly before the British approach, those who remained were sufficiently numerous to render the use of force necessary to crush them.

Away on the right the western landing force went into action, while a way was paved for the eastern force of Somalis and Arabs to land and advance towards the town two miles away.

Italian machine-guns and field guns, attempting to stem the assault, were outclassed by the accuracy of British naval fire, which was the more praiseworthy in view of the murky and cloudy nature of the night.

"All Was Over"

The Somali-Arab force continued their advance, and news came of the complete success of the major attack in the west. By 20 minutes past nine in the morning all was over; Berbera was again in British hands. Over 100 prisoners were taken, while British casualties were negligible.

Even during the bombardment the inhabitants of Berbera came running to meet the British forces, waving Union Jacks and Somali flags which had been hidden from the Italians.

The Italians had blown up the pass on the road to Sheik, but the Somalis were already busy repairing it to aid the British pursuit.

Within a few hours of the occupation, transports and stores were being landed, and British officers examined forlorn and miserably equipped Italian prisoners. The Major commanding them burst into tears when handing over his revolver.

"I am an old soldier," he said, thus epitomizing the general feeling regarding the degradation to which Mussolini's African gamble had led a once free and cultured people.—Reuter.

Roosevelt Off for Cruise

Washington, Mar. 19.

President Roosevelt will leave Washington today for a ten-day cruise.—Havas Telemondial.

Jigjiga Taken

Nairobi, Mar. 19.

Jigjiga, in Abyssinia, has been captured, it was officially announced here this afternoon.

Jigjiga is about 90 kilometres east of Harar and 900 kilometres from Mogadiscio, capital of Italian Somaliland.—Reuter.

Greeks Again Hold Ground In Albania

Italians Said Repulsed With Heavy Losses

London, Mar. 19.

The Italians launched a strong new offensive in the northern sector of the Albanian front yesterday but were again beaten back with heavy losses, states Reuter's correspondent on the Albanian frontier.

The attack was preceded by violent artillery fire. The correspondent reports that fighting has been particularly intense in the Tepelini area where a large Italian force is said to be threatened with encirclement. Here air activity has increased. The British and Greek Air Forces have been particularly active in supporting land forces. Greek enthusiasm for the R.A.F. was again expressed in an Athens broadcast.

It is pointed out here that the Italians evidently hoped to break through the Greek lines near Tepelini on a 30-kilometre front. It is thought they probably will prepare sufficient troops in the Tepelini area to renew the offensive, as there is no reason to suppose that their failure will influence the Germans to hasten any attempt to come to their assistance.

Italians Idle

The crushing defeat sustained by the Italians in their unsuccessful seven-day offensive has forced them into inactivity, according to the Greek Radio.

An official Greek statement broadcast from the Athens Radio last night said that Greek patrols were extremely active.

Reliable information, it added, showed that the Italians were attempting to reorganize their distressed formations, but it was not at all certain that such reorganization would permit the enemy to risk another offensive.

Nazi Inactivity

Surprise was evinced here that the German forces along the Bulgarian-Greek frontier had not launched an offensive when the Italians made their desperate, disastrous counter-attacks during the past few days.

One of the reasons for the Germans' inactivity was believed to be handicaps of communication, but Yugoslavia's attitude was seen as a far more important factor. Yugoslavia continued to remain very firm —Reuter.

British Said in Greece

Belgrade, Mar. 19.

British forces in Greece now total approximately four divisons consisting of 100,000 men, usually well informed sources said here yesterday.

The same quarters said they had no information regarding reports that British units had arrived in the region of Salonika.—United Press.

German Agents Plead Innocence

Dr. Zapp, Guenther Tonn Face U.S. Court

Washington, Mar. 19.

Dr. Manfred Zapp, manager of the German Transocean news agency, and his assistant, Herr Guenther Tonn, yesterday pleaded innocent when indicted in the United States District Court here on a charge of failing to comply with the 1938 foreign registration act.

The indictment charged that they were engaged in disseminating propaganda for a foreign country and "other activities of a political nature."

The complaint charged further that Dr. Zapp had failed to register on time as a foreign agent and that Herr. Tonn had failed to register at all. It also charged that Dr. Zapp "fraudulently had omitted to state material facts" when he finally did register.

They were charged by the Federal Bureau of Investigation under the 1938 act requiring compulsory registration of all foreign propaganda and political agents in the United States —United Press.

Roosevelt Asks Food To Aid Democracies

Washington, Mar. 19.

President Roosevelt has ordered the Secretary of Agriculture, Mr. Claude Wickard, and the Surgeon-General, Dr. Thomas Parran, to draft a programme to extend Britain and other Democracies aid in the form of foodstuffs and agricultural products, it was learned today.

The President said that such a plan would be financed partly from funds appropriated for the lend-lease programme. He said that under the programme, the United States might make food available to Spain and unoccupied France.—United Press.

U.S. Prepares List of Foods for Democracies

Washington, Mar. 19.

A list of foods, including vitamin products, needed by Britain and the other democracies fighting aggression, is in course of preparation, President Roosevelt revealed yesterday. The food to be furnished would be sent to Britain, the President added, but other democracies were also involved. —Reuter.

"American Eagle" Squadron Ready And Eager For Combat With Nazis

U.S. Volunteers Anxious to Debunk Quip They Are "Glamour Boys of Air," Mean Business

At an R.A.F. Fighter Station Mar. 19.

Pilots, anxious to debunk the quip that they are glamour boys of the R.A.F. and whose one desire is to make their squadron one of which Britain and America will be proud, form the personel of the American Eagle squadron.

No Nazi plane came their way while a Reuter's Correspondent was there. The enemy no longer takes up all their time over Britain, and the squadron have yet to bring down their first victim as a squadron.

Recruits, coming in fast enough to form a second Eagle squadron, are now completing operational training in England. The squadron's tale of impatient longing to let at the enemy is the new cry of many hundreds of veteran British and Allied fighter pilots whose ranks these young Americans have joined.

The Hurricanes with which they are equipped will help to make the American Eagles play their part in operations which will no longer be confined to metropolitan defence, for the enemy must now be sought more often far out to sea and quite often beyond the continental coastline.

The squadron will operate in exactly the same way as other fighter squadrons of the R.A.F. And great things are expected of this shy but determined band of America's first war pilots.—Reuter.

Ready for Combat

Somewhere in Britain, Mar. 19.

The American Eagle Squadron, consisting solely of United States pilots, now is a first line unit of the R.A.F., it was disclosed here yesterday.

The pilots stood by their station ready to swoop up against the German Luftwaffe.

The British commanding officer stationed with the squadron said the Americans were "excellent pilots and a damn good crowd."

He added that "now the Eagle squadron is in operating condition they are ready to take to air combats exactly the same as our fighter squadrons. I know they will behave as gallantly in combat."—United Press.

"N.C.D.N." Photo.

Abandoned Buses

The sudden strike of the employees of the China General Omnibus Co. yesterday resulted in scores of vehicles being lined up in various places of the Settlement. The above photo shows buses abandoned at the St. George's terminus. The strike ended shortly after 6 p.m. when the workers resumed work.

French Concession Again Without Trams and Buses

French Utility Co. Experiences Another Strike; Employees of C.G.O.C. in Short-Lived Tie-Up

A COMPLETE tie-up of transportation facilities loomed in the French Concession and International Settlement yesterday as first the employees of the Compagnie Francaise de Tramways et d'Eclairage Electriques de Shanghai, operating trams and buses in the Concession, and then those of the China China General Omnibus Company went on strike to paralyze transport in a vast area of the city. No strike was threatened by employees of the Shanghai Tramways Company, it was learned from reliable sources.

The employees of the China General Omnibus Co. returned to work at 6.10 p.m., however, without having presented any demands to the management.

S.M.C. Considers Gas Curtailment

Petrol Prices Raised By 20 Cents Due to Higher Freights

A petition to the Shanghai Municipal Council for consideration of measures for the curtailment of gas consumption in the Settlement along similar lines as the electricity supply has been forwarded by the Shanghai Gas Company Ltd., and was considered at a full meeting of the Council yesterday afternoon. Owing to the urgency of the matter, it is understood that announcement will be made by the Council of its decision in a communique to be issued at an early date.

Certain Proposals

The Company it is understood, has placed certain proposals before the Council regarding the control and curtailment of gas consumption. The question of supplying gas to new consumers it is believed, has also been raised and is under Council consideration.

Due to increase in freight rates and other factors the price of petrol in Shanghai yesterday was raised 20 cents a gallon although no immediate shortage of petrol is expected as further supplies are due here shortly.

The increase in the price of petrol here from $3.40 to $3.60 a gallon will be discussed by the various hire car concerns in the city who in the meantime it is believed, will not increase their fares until the matter has been thoroughly threshed out.

Questioned on a possible reason for the dispute, Mr. R. G. Currie, secretary of the company, stated that, perhaps, it might have been connected with rice distribution among the employees. Up to Monday, Mr. Currie said, the company supplied every worker with half a zar of rice at a cost of $15, with the management paying the difference themselves. On Monday, the employees were informed that the management could not continue to supply the rice, and offered the employees a rice allowance, calculated at Municipal Council rates. This arrangement found the employees agreeable, but a hitch developed when they found that they could not buy the rice in quantities desirable, i.e. half a zar at a time.

The trouble started at 1.15 p.m. when the fitters of the company,

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Shanghai Society Thanked by King

In reply to a loyal message of greeting to the King, sent by St. Patrick's Society of Shanghai, the following reply was received:

"To W. G. Clarke,
President,
St. Patrick's Society,
Shanghai.

The King sincerely thanks St. Patrick's Society of Shanghai for their kind and loyal message on St. Patrick's Day which His Majesty much appreciated.

Private Secretary."

German Break With Greece Said Imminent as Result of Landing

Current Reports in German Capital Now State 300,000 British Troops are Supporting Athens

London, Mar. 19.

A GERMAN diplomatic break with Greece is reported to be imminent.

According to the Berlin correspondent of the Turkish news agency, relations between Germany and Greece are critical, and it is understood from official circles in the German capital that relations between the two countries can no longer be regarded as normal.

It is believed that the German Minister in Athens has received full instructions on the matter. The Greek Minister in Berlin has not yet left his post.

Current reports in the German capital say that 300,000 British troops are in Greece, writes the Berlin correspondent of the Spanish newspaper "Y," who declares that the German Foreign Office spokesman is now refusing to answer questions about Germany's intentions towards Greece.

A big press and radio campaign against Greece is going on in Germany, the correspondent adds. This is regarded in Berlin as a sign that the Greek situation is now in the hands of the military.

The Berlin correspondent of the Swedish newspaper Allehanda says that diplomatic action is proceeding with the object of reaching a complete understanding between Germany and Turkey. He adds it is generally believed that Germany is hesitating to take action against Greece pending greater certainty as to Turkey's attitude.

Authoritative circles in Berlin, the correspondent asserts, refuse to express an opinion as to whether President Inonu's reply to Herr Hitler is considered satisfactory or otherwise. —Reuter.

German Demands Reported

Athens, Mar. 19.

Press circles here yesterday expressed belief that Germany demanded that Yugoslavia allow free passage of German merchandise to Rumania, establishment of German hospitals in Yugoslavia and free passage of German war wounded across Yugoslavia.

The same circles said they believed that Yugoslavia would accept the terms and added that it could be assumed that the demands also included passage of munitions to Bulgaria so that Rumanian railways could be used exclusively for troop movements.

It was reported here that mobilization was continuing in Yugoslavia and informed sources said they believed it would be extremely difficult for Yugoslavia to maintain her integrity.

A YugoslavianGerman pact will be signed in the near future, it was believed.—United Press.

Shanghai War Savings Association

The remittance made on February 27, 1941, was £6,300, bringing the total amount remitted to that date to £39,500.

We are now over the £42,000 mark and are aiming to bring the total up to £50,000 as quickly as possible.

Every Ch$5 paid in adds another spoke to strengthen the VICTORY WHEEL. It is up to us to keep that WHEEL turning faster and faster. Help to build it bigger and stronger.

The next remittance will be made on

MARCH 27, 1941

Make your EFFORT TODAY-EVERY DAY-EVERY MONTH.

S.M.C. Discuss Rice Situation

Problem Regarded as Critical; Chinese Press Concerned

Measures for alleviatinig the lot of the Chinese population dependent on rice for their subsistence owing to the critical rice situation were discussed at a full meeting yesterday afternoon of the Shanghai Municipal Council.

A communique issued after the meeting stated: The Rice Problem was discussed in Council yesterday afternoon and the need for positive and early measures to improve the situation was unanimously agreed upon.

The Council has considered reports and recommendations of its Supplies Committee and also a communication which that Committee had received from the local Rice Price Fixing Committee. Before, however, embarking upon a new course of action in which the interest of neighbouring authorities is involved and where their cooperation will be needed, members of Council felt it necessary to re-examine for themselves the potential far-reaching effects of many suggestions under consideration. This re-examination is being conducted by two of their number and an early decision by the Council may be expected.

Constantly rising levels of rice prices are the subject of keen public criticism and the Council is much influenced by public feelings expressed on this subject but it must be appreciated that the roots of the problem lie in transportation from producing centres, the maintenance of adequate stocks in Shanghaii and their diistribution and constant circulation through channels legitimately engaged in the rice trade. The experience and goodwill of genuine traders is essential to any solution of this problem and it may be anticipated that the Council will join its forces to theirs to eradicate abuses, to restore stability to the rice market, and ensure adequate supplies at a reasonable price.

Press Lashes Out

The sharp incline in the price of the cereal, which is at the back of all the labour troubles in Shanghai, has been engaging the attention of the Chinese press which has lashed out at the Municipal and other authorities here, characterizing their stand as lethargic and accusing them of showing an entire unconcern in a problem vital to the Chinese population.

A Chinese economist recently suggested equality in distribution of the cereal as one solution to the problem which has become more acute with the shortage of rice offered for sale although it is reported that hoarders hold considerable stocks but refuse to unload their goods on the market, waiting for higher prices.

It has also been suggested, that direct orders for large quantities of rice be placed with Saigon and Rangoon to meet local requirements. It was suggested that the authorities of the Settlement and French Concession should charter vessels to transport the cereal owing to the transportation difficulties.

After the arrival of the rice, it was further suggested, the authorities concerned should distribute it among the shops to be sold in limited quantities which will ensure equality in distribution and remove all fears of a shortage.

U.S. Committed to Aid Any Aggression Victim

All Countries Resisting Attacks from Tripartite Alliance to Benefit by Aid Bill, Declares State Secretary

Washington, Mar. 19.

ANY country which was resisting invasion from any of the Tripartite Alliance's three Powers would receive assistance from the United States under the "Lend-Lease" Bill, Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, said yesterday.

Mr. Hull said that China came within the category of countries resisting aggression. Although he did not mention Japan by name, observers noted that Japan, a member of the tripartite alliance, was attacking China.

The Committee earlier had approved the US$7,000,000,000 appropriation Bill to finance aid under the "Lend-Lease" programme with a declaration that "no halfway measures can be countenanced at this critical stage in world events," and the House then started debate on the measure.

Mr. Hull's testimony was revealed when his words before the committee were published.

Asked what countries beside Britain might be aided by the lend-lease appropriation Mr. Hull replied:

"Our assistance would be contemplated for any country carrying forward a movement of resistance against the three invading forces which under the Tripartite Agreement are rather closely interrelated countries.

"To Any Country"

"Our assistance would be to countries whose defence would be essential to ours as was stated here. You will find this determined by today's developments. This situation is moving so rapidly that nobody knows from one day to another what nations may be swallowed up or what nations may resist. It would be extended to any country that would thus get into that picture."

Colonel Henry L. Stimson, Secretary of War, his published testimony revealed, said that the British Isles "now are the pivot of defence on which our own defence is based.

"She (Britain) is planning to continue the fight until she not only has saved the British Isles but has restored Europe from the subjugation it is now under, put an end to rule by force and restored free government among these nations," Col. Stimson said.

"We think it will be beneficial in its effect throughout the Western Hemisphere where it will be realized we mean business in this matter. Undoubtedly it will have a disturbing effect on nations opposed to Britain."

The Appropriations Committee revealed that it had received detailed information regarding British needs, but that the information was not published "in order to withhold from certain foreign governments and their diligent agents detailed information they should not have. These details have strategic value which must carefully be observed."

Official Statement

The committee's words were contained in an official statement.

The statement said that "while this is the largest single appropriation in our peace-time history, it must be accepted or we become a faltering welsher."

Simultaneously, the Committee published testimony by Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, Mr. Henry Stimson, Secretary of War, Colonel

[United Press.

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U.S. Warships to Visit Sydney

Secrecy Surrounding Tour Lifted by Australian Minister's Statement

Canberra, Mar. 19.

Mr. A. W. Fadden, acting Prime Minister, today announced that seven United States naval vessels would reach Sydney on Thursday for a three-day stay. The visit to Sydney was kept a close secret until today.

This squadron is as entirely different unit from the one now at Auckland, New Zealand, which is composed of six U.S. naval vessels.

The American squadron which is to visit Sydney comprises the cruisers Chicago and Portland and the destroyers Clark, Cassin, Conyngham, Downes and Reid.

Their visit was described as a training cruise, although the Australian Government regarded it as an extraordinarily significant development in the Pacific.

Mr. Fadden, in his announcement, said that the "visit will be an inspiration to Australia, which will welcome the representatives of a nation which, through its leader, President Roosevelt, has plainly declared to the world that they are our friends in this war."

The Navy Minister, Mr. W. M. Hughes, hailed the visit as a sign of "goodwill and friendly encouragement from the people of a great republic to Australia."

Mr. J. Curtin, leader of the opposition in Parliament, said that the "presence of these ships will be a timely and practical demonstration of the force of President Roosevelt's words."

Elaborate preparations have been made to welcome the American squadron. Parliament will recess on Thursday to enable officials to join the crowds welcoming the vessels. Thursday also will be a holiday for schools and the public. American sailors will be given the freedom of the city and lavish entertainments have been planned.—United Press.

Squadron Welcomed in N.Z.

Auckland, Mar. 19.

"Thanks for everything. Long live Uncle Sam," said the Mayor of Auckland when welcoming the American squadron which is visiting New Zealand.

The sailors marched through the streets after a civic reception, and Captain Stone, speaking for the visitors, referred to the spontaneous and enthusiastic welcome and thanked New Zealanders for looking after American women and children evacuated there from the Far East. He said that this had made a lasting impression in the United States.—Reuter.

Ford, Fisher Plants To Turn Out Planes

Washington, Mar. 19.

The War Department announced last night that the Ford Motor Company and the Fisher Body division of the General Motors had agreed to construct US$17,863,000 worth of new facilities for mass production of warplanes to be assembled at a new mid-western plant.

The contract with Ford involved approximately US$11,000,000 for the construction of a plant in Michigan to manufacture parts for the Consolidated B-24 craft, which is a four-engined bomber. The Fisher Body Corporation will spend US$6,875,000 to expand its facilities at Memphis, Tennessee, with 600,000 feet of additional floor space, the War Department said.—United Press.

German Invasion Said Planned for May

Tokyo, Mar. 19.

Germany will attempt a land invasion of Great Britain some time in May, Major-General Seifuku Okamura, Military Attache of the Japanese Embassy at Berlin who arrived at Tokyo Station this afternoon, declared.—Domei.

Menzies to Visit U.S.

London, Mar. 19.

Mr. R. G. Menzies, Prime Minister of Australia, according to press reports, will visit the United States after his tour of Britain and interview President Roosevelt, and probably tour American war factories.—Reuter.

U.S. Navy Carrying Out Exercises, But Not Because of Sub. Reports

Department Emphasizes Manœuvres Held in Three Areas Along Atlantic Seaboard "Planned Long Ago"

Washington, Mar. 19.

The United States Navy Department last night announced that manœuvres were being held in three areas along the Atlantic seaboard. It emphasized that the war games had been planned long ago and were not connected with the reports that German submarines were operating off American waters.

The Navy warned merchant shipping to "navigate with caution" because submarines from the U.S. Fleet were conducting routine training manœuvres.

Submarine manœuvres were being conducted on waters along three areas of the Atlantic seaboard—Long Island Sound, the Florida Straits and off the Virginia Capes, the Navy announced.

Naval quarters here recalled that in 1918 German submarines operating off New York and adjacent waters sunk or seriously damaged 100 ships, including the U.S.S. San Diego, 13,000 tons, and the U.S.S. Minnesota, 17,000 tons, which ran into minefields laid by underseas craft. All of the German submarines returned safely to Germany, they added.

The U-boats, they pointed out, began to operate off New York early in June, 1918, when the first survivors were landed and reported that they were from the ship Hattie Dunn, which was sunk by a submarine.

At the same time, the Edward H. Cole was attacked and sunk, the naval circles recalled.

Anti-aircraft guns were manned since even in 1918 it was feared that an enemy aircraft carrier might have accompanied the submarines. At the time, the naval quarters recalled, New York authorities planned to use subways as shelters in the event of air attacks.—United Press.

Battle Cruiser in U.S. Water?

London, Mar. 19.

The Scharnhorst and the Gneiseau may be the German battle-cruisers which Mr. Winston Churchill yesterday said were operating in American waters against Allied shipping. Both were reported to have been seen at sea over a period of a month.—United Press.

United States Ambassador Welcomed by the King

His Majesty's Message to Mr. John Winant Read At Luncheon Attended by Mr. Winston Churchill

London, Mar. 19.

HIS Majesty the King yesterday extended a personal warm welcome to Mr. John G. Winant, new United States Ambassador to England, as Mr. Winant announced America would do all in its power to aid Britain and Winston Churchill, Prime Minister, said Germans were sinking ships in American waters.

The King sent a message to the Ambassador which was read at a luncheon of the Pilgrims Society, at which Mr. Winant was the guest of honour and at which both he and Mr. Churchill spoke.

"The new ambassador of the United States comes on a mission to us at a fateful moment in the history of the two countries," the King's message read. "The warmth of our welcome to him will testify to the feelings uppermost in all of us today—gratitude to the people whom he represents and admiration for the great statesman who stands at their head."

Mr. Winant spoke after Mr. Churchill had disclosed that British shipping losses had risen for the time being and confirmed that German submarines and warships had been operating in American waters.

"In different periods of history it has fallen to the lot of one nation or a group of nations, rather than another to guard and defend the frontiers of freedom and civilization," Mr. Winant said.

"Each nation or group of nations to which such a lot has fallen has derived from it its finest traditions and most enduring heritage."

England's Proud Privilege

Mr. Winant said that it had been England's proud privilege to have given the world the Magna Charta, cherished by free men everywhere, and that it had been America's privilege to have given the world the Declaration of Independence.

"Today I believe the British people are happy to recognize that the ideas embodied in the Declaration of Independence helped to create not only the American Republic but the British commonwealth of free nations," he said.

France gave "undying meaning to the words liberty, equality and fraternity, which forever ring in the ears of those who fight for freedom's cause," Mr. Winant said.

"But I would not have you believe I think the cause of freedom is the cause of any one nation or group of nations. The cause of freedom is the cause of all men everywhere. Today it is the honour and destiny of the British people to man the bridgehead of humanity's hopes and it is their privilege to stand against the ruthless and powerful dictators who would destroy the lessons of 2,000 years of history," Mr. Winant said.

"It Is Your Destiny

"It is your destiny to say to them, Here, you shall not pass.' You have said little—you have done so much. It is all part of the soldier's faith—to have known great things, to be content with silence. Never in any struggle between barbarism and civilization has so much been at stake.

"There are no people or race charged with the responsibility or endowed with the ability to dominate the world," Mr. Winant continued.

He indicated that the United States was prepared to cooperate with the free peoples of the world in reconstruction of the world in which the masses would enjoy a higher standard of living.

"There is a new spirit abroad," he said. "The free peoples again are cooperating to win a free world and no tyranny can frustrate their hopes. Those who now suffer and die in this effort do so for the common good of the free peoples who shall follow after them and who, with the help of God, shall build from these sacrifices a citadel of freedom so strong that force may never again seek its destruction.—United Press.

Cost of War to Britain Disclosed

Total of Orders Placed In United States Told Before Committee

Washington, Mar. 19.

Evidence given by United States defence chiefs at last week's secret hearings before the National Defence Committee was released yesterday as the House of Representatives began debate on British aid appropriations.

The statement of the Director-General of Defence, Mr. Knudsen, showed that Britain financed 61 manufacturing plants out of 764 available or in preparation for production of defence materials.

The statement of the Budget Director, Mr. Harold Smith, gave a comprehensive view of Britain's war expenditures in the United States. The total of existing British orders, said Mr. Smith's statement, was $2,700,000,000. Payment of $1,680,000,000 had been made. All goods delivered to Britain had been paid for and usually a 25 per cent. deposit had been paid in cash with the order. The remaining liabilities will be met from Britain's existing dollar resources.

Funds Lacking

The statement said the British Government has not adequate funds to meet additional commitments but none is proposed. The United States $7,000,000,000 British aid appropriation would be used to pay for orders placed by Britain before the passage of the Lease and Lend Bill.

At the beginning of the current year British holdings included $616,000,000 in marketable securities and $9,000,000,000 in less easily marketable investments.

The nominal value of United Kingdom investments in Canada is $2,000,000,000, said the statement, in South America, $3,500,00.000. Market value was much less than nominal value. Also at the beginning of the present year Britain held $292,000,000 in gold, $54,000,000 in official dollar balances, and $305,000,000 in private bank balances.

Britain had given capital assistance totalling $171,000,000 to United States defence plants.

Heavy War Spending

Monthly war expenditures of Canada, Australia, South Africa, New Zealand, India and the United Kingdom were $1,750,000,000, of which the United Kingdom accounted for $1,500,000,000. During the current fiscal year Canada expected to spend $1,400,000,000 in direct war effort.—Reuter.

Hottelet Receives Food And Clothes

Accused of Acting as An Espionage Agent

Berlin, Mar. 19.

The German authorities today permitted Mr. Richard C. Hottelet, Berlin correspondent of the United Press, to receive a suitcase of clothes, toilet articles and some food for the first time since his arrest last week.

The United Press Bureau here, after persistent efforts, was finally allowed to send vital articles to Mr. Hottelet, who is still held *incommunicado* by the German authorities.

Preliminary examination of Mr. Hottelet presumably was still continuing, although the German authorities have still not officially announced reasons for his detention. The official D.N.B. news agency, however, said that he was held because he was "highly suspected" of acting as an espionage agent for a Third Power. Mr. Hottelet is an American.

Meanwhile, the United States Embassy here continued pressing the German authorities for permission to see Mr. Hottelet and to provide him with legal counsel when the time for such a need comes.—United Press.

Weekly Shipping Losses Announced in London

98,832 Tons of British, Allied Vessels Sunk

London, Mar. 19.

The Admiralty announced yesterday that British and Allied ships sunk during the week which ended at midnight on March 9 totalled 98,832 tons and included 25 ships.

Twenty ships, totalling 84,244 tons, were British and five ships, 14,588 tons, were Allied, making the total of British, Allied and neutral losses for the war 5,061,089 tons.—United Press.

Axis May Influence Japan to Make Peace

Rome, Mar. 19.

The Axis may exert its influence upon Japan to examine the possibility of peace with Chungking, the "Popolo di Roma" today hinted in a front page editorial. The journal asserted that certain quarters in Chungking were showing an inclination toward peace.

The "Popolo di Roma," which gave this hint in an editorial commenting on the coming visit to Berlin and Rome of Mr. Yosuke Matsuoka, Japanese Foreign Minister, warned that if, in the meantime, America sends aid to China, the Japanese would sink the American vessels.—United Press.

Germany Can Feed Occupied Areas

Permission for Passage Of Food Said Indication

London, Mar. 19.

That Britain is willing to permit passage of foodstuffs to German-occupied territories provided safeguards are established to prevent exploitation is reaffirmed in authoritative quarters in London.

The Ministry of Economic Warfare states the point is understood to be that the British Government is confident Germany can feed the populations of the occupied territories and she is bound under international law to do so.

In peace-time Europe is largely self-sufficient in foodstuffs apart from fats, and the Germans themselves recently stated that Europe is 90 per cent independent of foreign supplies. At the same time Germany is stated to be unable to use her "consummate talent for organization"; the shortage is due to the steady German plundering of accumulated food stocks of occupied countries which would have been sufficient to maintain those countries until next summer.

Norway lost fish supplies, Danish livestock was slaughtered. Holland lost 17,000,000 pounds of butter in one week.

The argument that British permission for passage of food ships from the United States to unoccupied France would not damage the British war effort is unsound. Potatoes, oil and wheat are convertible into fuel and alcohol and give glycerine for high explosive.

In order to feed Germany nine and a half millions of men are employed while only three millions are needed to feed Britain. If the German food problem is even partially solved by permission for passage of foodstuffs to Europe then some men will be released for Germany's war machine.—Reuter.

Turkish Ambassador Sees Molotov

London, Mar. 19.

The Turkish Ambassador in Moscow is reported to have had a talk with the Soviet Vice-Commissar for civil affairs and another conversation with M. Viacheslav Molotov, Foreign Commissar.—Reuter.

★French Concession Without Trams

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about 800 in number, refused to continue with their work and sent out pickets to stop drivers and conductors from carrying out their duties. They were successful in this attempt and the bus employees started leaving their vehicles just where they were at the time. Seven intimidators were arrested in the Louza district by the police as they picketed buses in that district.

These seven men were fitters of the company who, when the strike broke out, boarded a bus and went out to call bus drivers and conductors to join in the dispute. A call was put through to all the stations and they were finally arrested in the Louza district. They were released when the workers of the company went back to work.

Abandoned Vehicles

The streets in the International Settlement presented an unusual sight as scores of buses were seen abandoned. Bubbling Well district was the most affected, with approximately 50 buses left near St. George's. Further up, near Tifeng Road, another 30 were lined up. Buses also were abandoned on Connaught and Honan Roads, but they were gradually removed to the depot.

The French Concession trams and buses went on strike suddenly, at 10.40 o'clock in the morning, when the motormen and conductors left their vehicles in the streets. As soon as the employees of the company had struck, the French Police detailed guards to the depot and general offices of the company. These were accompanied by an armoured car. Up to a late hour, however, no incidents had been reported.

Questioned about the dispute, M. J. Favret, manager of the company, stated that the employees had asked for an increase in wages and high cost of living allowance yesterday morning. They were told that it would take some time to reach a decision in connection with this and were promised a reply by next Monday. This did not satisfy them and they left their work.

M. Favret confirmed a report stating that technicians of the company had been on a 'go-slow" strike on Tuesday afternoon. This, too, had been the result of representations for more pay. An agreement, however, was reached and the technicians went back to work that same, afternoon. Yesterday morning the situation was normal and trams and buses were taken out as usual. Later in the morning, however, representatives of the workers made demands for increases in pay and allowances. When an immediate reply was refused they struck and got all the other employees, including those of the power plant, to quit work.

The action was unprecedented and passengers of trams and buses found themselves alone in abandoned vehicles in the middle of the streets. The motormen and conductors had simply got off and walked away. No incidents whatever were noted.

No Skeleton Service

As soon as the French Police were informed of the dispute, a guard was sent to the depot and offices of the company. The number of strikers mounted to over 2,000. The office personnel and the employees of the waterworks, however, were not affected by the strike. It was learned yesterday that, unless a quick solution to the dispute would be found, the management would hire Russians in order not to disrupt electric service in the Concession.

The abandoned trams were gradually brought to the depot by foreign inspectors of the company, this being done en masse, with one vehicle towing five or six trams to the Avenue Dubail depot. No skeleton service would be out on the streets, it was learned from the management, although the sight of foreigners driving buses to the depot, accompanied by details of police, started rumours going to the effect that the company would attempt to run vehicles just as it did during the last strike, when, it may be recalled, trams and buses, manned by the non-striking employees and hired strike-breakers, served the residents of the Concession for some time, being finally removed when assaults against the employees became too frequent.

Meanwhile, the strike of Chinese blockmakers continued yesterday, with about 1,000 being affected by the dispute. The engravers made several demands, including one for regular hours being limited to eight a day. Other representations included increases in pay and rice allowances. The workers declared a "go-slow" strike on Tuesday, but the dispute flared into a general strike yesterday morning when the managers of the establishments failed to make definite replies to their employees.

No less than 40 small weaving factories continued remain idle yesterday. This dispute involved about 2,000 employees in the International Settlement and French Concession. The dispute was climaxed on Tuesday afternoon when some 60 strikers visited Mei Foong Dyeing Factory at 112 Penang Road and attempted to intimidate the workers. They were finally evicted by the police, who arrested 57 strikers.

OBITUARY

Mr. J. B. Affleck

London, Mar. 19.

Mr. John Barr Affleck, C.B.E., formerly British Consul-General at Tientsin, has died at the age of 62.

Born on October 26, 1878, Mr. Affleck had a long and distinguished career with the Consular Service, almost the whole of which was spent in China. He was appointed a student interpreter in 1902, and retired on a pension in 1938 after serving in various capacities all over China.

He served with the Chinese Labour Corps with the temporary commission of Captain during the Great War. He was promoted to be one of H.M. Consuls in China in 1925, and was attached to the Consulates-General in Hankow and Shanghai.

In 1928 he became acting Consul-General in Tsinan, and in 1929 was made a C.B.E. After serving as officiating Consul and acting Consul-General at Tsingtao for three years, he was promoted to be one of H.M. Consulate-General at Tientsin from 1935 to 1938, and in 1935 he received the Silver Jubilee medal.—Reuter.

German Seaports Pounded By R.A.F. Bombers

Planes Find Targets Despite Haze, Bad Weather; London Area Experiences Long Raid "Alert"

London, Mar. 19.

CONSIDERABLE numbers of British bombers found their targets over German seaports last night despite haze and variable weather conditions.

Many explosions and fires were started at Kiel and Wilhelmshaven. More fires were started among oil tanks alongside the petrol harbour of Rotterdam. Docks at Emden and two aerodromes in Holland were also bombed.

German shipping off the Dutch coast was bombed and machine-gunned during daylight yesterday. One British machine was missing

It is now known that British bombers destroyed two German aircraft in addition to one bomber shot down early this morning.

Bremen Set Ablaze

Numerous explosions and fires were observed in the dock and industrial areas of Bremen and Wilhelmshaven bombed by the R.A.F. on Monday night, states the Air Ministry.

A large fire was started among petrol storage tanks in Rotterdam. Single aircraft attacked Emden and Oldenburg. One enemy night fighter was shot down in flames during these operations.

London Has Long Alert

London had its longest alert so far during the night. Gunfire was heard intermittently for several hours as planes passed over. A few bombs were dropped in scattered districts but casualties and damage were remarkably slight.

In conformity with their evident policy of concentrating on British shipping and docks, German raiders reserved their main onslaught for Hull during last night. The raiders followed each other in relays for some hours, causing widespread damage to property.

Fires broke out in some parts of the city, but firemen, fire-watchers, wardens and police combined to deal effectively with these under most hazardous conditions.

Some people were trapped under debris of wrecked houses.

Raider Downed

Anti-aircraft defences put up a heavy barrage, while a Hurricane fighter shot down a German raider off the Norfolk coast early this morning, and another was also destroyed.

Many bombers flew over east, south-east and southern England last night, but no attack developed in these areas, though bombs were dropped at a number of points. Damage was not heavy at any of these points, nor were casualties numerous.

A number of fires were soon brought under control and were all extinguished. The casualties are not expected to be unduly heavy.—Reuter.

Many Die in Raids

London, Mar. 19.

Five hundred persons were killed in German raids on the Merseyside area on Wednesday and Thursday nights, while another 500 persons were killed in raids on the Clyde side area Thursday and Friday nights, it was said here yesterday.

Five hundred persons were injured in the Mersey area and 800 in the Clyde area, it was said.—United Press.

Dutch Foreign Minister in U.S.

Does Not Expect Japan To Invade N.E.I.; Warning to Dictators

New York, Mar. 19.

Mr. E. N. van Kleffens, Foreign Minister of the Dutch Government, and his wife arrived by clipper today from Lisbon en route to the Netherlands East Indies "to talk things over with the Governor-General there."

Mr. van Kleffens said the Government did not expect Japan to invade the Dutch islands in the Pacific.

"We have had three and a half centuries of peace....and I see no signs to give me any reason for concern."

Asked whether the Government had asked other powers for protection for the Indies, Mr. van Kleffens declared, "We accept protection from nobody. However, if we are attacked, then I believe our interests are British interests and your (United States) interests would parallel them."

Colonel William J. Donovan also returned on the same plane after a three-months' tour of the war zones as a special observer for Col. Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy.

Mr. Van Kleffens was due to pay courtesy calls on President Roosevelt and Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State.

The Dutch Minister said Queen Wilhelmina of the Netherlands was in excellent health and was a "real inspiration to everyone."

Dictators throughout history have played a losing game against the Dutch, Mr. Van Kleffens said.

"Ask Philip II, Louis XIV and Napoleon," he said, "and in a year or so you may ask Hitler."—United Press.

Hongkong Suffering From Cholera

Hongkong, Mar. 19.

Fears were aroused here today that Hongkong may be gripped by a cholera epidemic as 323 cases were under treatment.

Of this total 78 cases were reported in the past 24 hours, although eleven were actually new cases. The others were positively established as cholera after an investigation. There were 260 cases of cholera reported since March 12.—United Press.

Col. Donovan Returns From War Zones

New York, Mar. 19.

Colonel William Donovan returned here yesterday from an extensive tour of the war zones and said that he had obtained information which he hoped would be of "value to the United States in preparation of her own defences."—United Press.

Japanese Push on From Kaoan

Chungking Says 20,000 Japanese Taking Part In Attacks Near Ichang

Kiangsi Province, Mar. 18.

Pushing rapidly westward, Japanese forces, which this morning occupied Kaoan, this afternoon captured Hutsun, 18 kilometres north of Kaoan, and Shihnaohsu, 8 kilometres west of Kaoan, army authorities disclosed.

The Japanese were reported to be continuing a lightning advance westward, driving remnants of the Chinese 74th Army before them.

Latest reports reaching headquarters revealed that Japanese columns have advanced to a point 32 kilometres northwest of Kaoan, strategic Chungking stronghold which fell into Japanese hands on Monday night.

Chungking's 70th Army is in full retreat and has abandoned Kwamenlow, 10 kilometres northwest of Fenghwangchu, which was occupied last night by Japanese forces.

Chungking Communique

Chungking, Mar. 19.

Over 20,000 Japanese troops are participating in the attacks around Ichang, according to Chinese reports from Patung, the Yangtze port above Ichang, in the gorges.

The report states that fighting on the south bank of the river has been going on since March 6, but the Chinese have now recovered the positions held before the Japanese onslaught, driving the invaders back a distance of some 30 kilometres, the extent to which they had penetrated Chinese territory.

Some fighting is also reported near Yoyang, the lake-side town north of Changsha, where Chinese forces, having recaptured Tungcheng, have crossed the Sinhsiang River and are advancing towards Yoyang. Fighting is taking place at present near Tangchiapai.—Reuter.

★U.S. Committed To Aid

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Frank Knox, Navy Secretary, and General George C. Marshall,, Army Chief of Staff, all urging quick action.

"Our immediate business is to see to it that would-be conquerors of the world shall not be in a position in which they can command the seas or attack any country in this hemisphere," Mr. Hull told the Committee.

Hemisphere "In Danger"

"I must in all conscience say to the American people that in my judgment this hemisphere and this nation is in serious danger and every possible step for national defense must be taken with utmost rapidity."

Mr. Hull was asked by Committeemen what countries would be aided by the lend-lease bill and Mr. Clarence Cannon, Missouri Democrat, asked if they would include the Asiatic countries.

"We have been dealing with a world-wide situation and cooperating with China to quite a little extent, that country coming within the same category of countries resisting aggression," Mr. Hull replied.

General George C. Marshal, Chief of the Army General Staff, testified that the lend-lease appropriations would greatly benefit the moral of all countries in the western hemisphere.

"Tremendous Effect

Asked if he believed it would affect England, South America and Germany from a purely war standpoint, Gen. Marshal said "I believe it will have a tremendously stimulating effect in England where it will be realized that her heroic effort is being recognized here and that we are doing everything we can to help her.

General Marshall revealed the following:

Firstly, that 95 per cent of the military articles manufactured for transfer abroad would be of a type the United States Army could use as well as the British;

Secondly, virtually all of the US$7,000,000,000 would be spent in the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1941.

Thirdly, plans were ready for transferring the entire Coast Guard to the Navy Department, although there was no such present intention;

Fourthly, among foodstuffs the British had requested were cheese, dried eggs and milk, pork and canned goods;

Fifthly, the revolving turret now used on American tanks and planes came from Britain;

Sixthly, the prices of war materials are now considerably below the world war period.

Seventhly, the object of the United States' foreign policy is to "assure the safety and independence of the interests of the United States against all threats."

Enactment Urged

Mr. Clifton A. Woodrum, Virginia Democrat, urged enactment of the US$7,000,000,000 bill and asserted there would be only one result of the United States' all-out effort—"the ultimate downfall of the dictators."

An Appropriations Committee report said British dollar assets on January 1 were: marketable securities, US$616,000,000; direct investments, US$900,000,000; gold, US$292,000,000; official dollars balances, US$54,000,000; private dollar balances, US$305,000,000.

British current monthly expenditures were US$750,000,000, the report said. To January 1 the British placed American orders totalling US$2,700,000,000, paying cash, the Committee said. Payments to March 12 totalled US$1,682,000,000.

A Committee report said that Mr. William S. Knudsen, chief of the National Defence Commission, told the group 784 plants were now operating to further the armament programme. Since June, contracts for material amounted to almost US$1,260,000,000, he said.

Among the above-mentioned plants, 302 belonged to the Government, of which 97 were making aeroplane parts and accessories, 80 making guns and munitions, 12 armour, 40 building ships, 20 making machine tools, nine optical instruments, five miscellaneous, such as chemicals, and seven metals.

Nineteen arsenals were in the process of rehabilitation.—United Press.

Berlin Threatens

London, Mar. 19.

America's "attempt to interfere in European affairs," will be repulsed by Germany by the "most violent means" if necessary, according to Berlin circles commenting on President Roosevelt's address.—Reuter.

Shanghai Sends £1,000 To Distress Fund

London, Mar. 19.

A sum of £1,000 from the Central British War Fund at Shanghai was among contributions received yesterday, and makes the total of the Lord Mayor's National Air Raid Distress Fund £2,286,000.—Reuter.

British People Get Invasion Advice

Leaflet on What to Do Issued; Morrison Asks Britons to Stand Firm

London, March 19.

The unity and determination of the British people to stand firm and carry on to win the war was the theme of a broadcast speech by Mr. Herbert Morrison, Minister of Home Security, last night.

He urged people to read and study carefully a leaflet just issued by his Ministry informing them what to do in case of an invasion.

Invasion, said Mr. Morrison, was a vital subject, for though the blaze of war might leap from Europe to Africa or Asia there could be no real Nazi victory unless it were won here—in and around this island.

"I am giving away no secrets," Mr. Morrison went on. "if I tell you that your Government and military chiefs have made plans for the defence of Britain on the basis complete confidence. You will not let them down."

He emphasized the necessity of carrying on the country's work to the utmost capacity, and concluded with an exhortation to "stand firm. Carry on. Beat the invader."—Reuter.

THE CINEMA

"Give Us Wings"

Tom .....Billy Halop
Pig .....Huntz Hall
String .....Gabriel Dell
Ape .....Bernard Punsly
Rap .....Bobby Jordan
York .....Wallace Ford
Julie .....Anne Gwynne
Carter .....Victor Jory
Buzz .....Shemp Howard
Tex .....Milburn Stone

Mr. Victor Jory has gone "bad" again. Following a series of sympathetic roles, he returns to a menace characterization in "Give Us Wings," attraction that opened yesterday at the Nanking Theatre. Supporting the Dead End Kids and Little Tough Guys in a fast action aviation drama, he is seen as the unscrupulous operator of an aerial crop-dusting company which provides broken-down planes for his youthful aviators to carry out their dangerous job. It is the irony of fate that, having apparently turned over a new leaf and decided to be respectable members of society, one of the band that has lived through so many villainies should meet the destiny that they have all so far evaded and come to a violent end. Not that comedy does not temper the note of tragedy in this pleasing little picture, the climax providing it in unique fashion when one of the youths prevents master-villain Jory from escaping by spraying the windshield of his speeding car with a blinding fog of chemicals from an aeroplane and then clouding the fugitive's plane in the same manner.

Also in the programme are a colourful number of "Going Places," a musical and a "Stranger than Fiction" instalment.—W.A.G.

"Too Many Girls"

Connie Casey .....Lucille Ball
Clint Kelly .....Richard Carlson
Pepe .....Ann Miller
Jojo Jordan .....Eddie Bracken
Eileen Eilers .....Frances Langford
Manuelito .....Desi Arnaz
Al Terwilliger .....Hal Leroy
Tallulah Lou .....Libby Bennett

"Too Many Girls," now showing at the Grand, is one of those gay, jazzy, campus affairs the Americans are so good at. Four college footballers are hired as bodyguards for the mischievious Miss Lucille Ball, to find that the anti-romantic, or hands off, clause in their contract is extremely burdensome. They find themselves installed in a small Arizonian college in the course of their duties, and naturally, being excellent football players, find themselves on the college football team. They proceed to put this football team at the head of the nation's college competition. All this makes for some really first-class fun. Gorgeous chorines swarm all over the college campus, outnumbering the men by ten to one, which also makes for entertainment. The climax of the film is astounding, mass frenzy apparently seizing some 100 or more players, who perform a dance (jitterbugging) which approximates more closely to the genuine witch doctor's effort than anything this reviewer has even seen. Perhaps this is the ultimate aim of jitterbugging, and this dance therefore reaches perfection.—J.S.-B.

Peiping Cinema Gutted

Peiping, Mar. 19.

The Italian cinema Roma, the former British-owned Pavilion, was completely destroyed by fire this morning.—Reuter.

THE STAGE

"Lilavati"

With the tinkling bells on her feet contrasting delicately with the continuous throbbing undercurrent of mystic Indian tablas, Lilavati captivated a cosmopolitan audience at the Lyceum last night when she introduced Shanghai to the distinctive and stylized art of India. The static grace of the dancer and the exquisite perfection of her beautiful hands were displayed to their best advantage in the variegated and entrancing patterns she wove in her silken draperies as she gave a novel and delightful exhibition of the terpsichorean interpretation of her native land.

The art of Lilavati is not to be captured in the dead medium of the written word, to be flung on paper and passed over with a glance. It transcends description with the multifold charm of its thousand facets, for she is the personification of delicate grace augmented by the supple beauty of smooth, flowing motion. And beneath it is the smouldering fire and the mysticism of a whole vast continent embodied in a single human form. All the rhythm of the East is there and the soul of a nation stands revealed when she dances. An incarnation of the whole spirit of the Indian dance, Lilavati's artistry is superb. Last night she seemed to dance even when she walked.....and she walked superbly, scarcely seeming to walk at all but to glide with the smooth, easy grace of a cobra. It was a sheer delight to watch her. There was a perfection about the figure, the great dark eyes, the camellia skin, and the smile like the opening of a magnolia flower that compelled the glance and held it in silent appreciation. The pleasure thus derived was more like that one finds in the contemplation of a fine picture or the hearing of superb music. She was a work of art. In a way she was India. For the wide variety of her dancing conjured up a vision of the whole heterogeneous mass of divergent sects and casts that go to make up Mother India. She traverses the length and breadth of a whole continent with her art.

The fluid grace of the dancer is at all times enhanced by the beautiful costumes of the various Indian provinces whose special dances she portrays on the stage. In "The New Sari," "To A Flower," and "Shiv Pooja,' the decorative hues and the classic lines of the draperies she wears are delightful symbols of the beauty that is to be found in the colourful land of India. Lilavati is the perfect exponent of all the art that flows in the veins of her countryfolk....she is a very great artiste.—C.E.M.B.

Two Chinese Killed In Y.P.S. Hotel

Detectives of the Louza police station last night were investigaitng the mysterious murder of two male Chinese in room 58 of the Y.P.S. Hotel at the corner of Yu Ya Ching and Hankow Roads. The shooting occurred at about 11.15 p.m. and an S.F.B. ambulance was called out to take the victims to the Lester Chinese Hospital, where they were pronounced dead on admission. The identity of the men was unknown, but it was later learned that the room had been registered in the name of Chang Sung-chi. The assassins escaped before the shooting became known and neither the number of gunmen nor the motive for the crime could be ascertained.

Americans Asked to Leave Occupied France

Berlin, Mar. 19.

D. N. B., official German news agency, yesterday said that the American Embassy in Paris had "requested" all Americans to leave occupied France and informed them the embassy would not renew passports of Americans in occupied France.—United Press.

170 Miners Trapped In Japan

Fire Interfering with Rescue Operation; Bold Dash Attempted

Sapporo, Mar. 19.

Officials of the Mitsubishi Mibai coal mine, where a coal damp explosion yesterday precipitated one of the worst mining disasters in Japan in recent years, expressed the view that the 178 miners who remained trapped in No. 6 gallery this morning were still alive, the trapped men having sought refuge in a ventilation tunnel.

The Director of the Mitsubishi Mibai coal mine, Mr. Bunji Jo, said that he was pessimistic about the fate of the trapped men.

A raging fire is preventing the rescuers from reaching the marooned men, and although 150 volunteers equipped with gas masks penetrated the gallery this morning as far as the emergency well which has been built to smother the flames, they returned, unable to reach their trapped comrades because of the roaring flames.

The death of one worker seriously injured yesterday brings the known fatalities to seven, with one injured.

It will be recalled that 25 miners were killed in a disaster in the Mibai mine in 1927.—Reuter.

Staff Car Ambushed on North-west Frontier

New Delhi, Mar. 19.

One Indian officer and one of other rank were killed, and one British officer and two other ranks were wounded when a staff car was ambushed on the Bannu-Mirali road on the North-West Frontier yesterday.—Reuter.

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Municipal Orchestra—Lyceum Theatre

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Current Films

CATHAY.—"A Date with Destiny."—An absorbing mystery drama that abounds in question marks. What made an accomplished physician wage a murderous war on women? Why should a rich and healthy society girl dream of suicide? The answers to these and many more cogent queries add up to the year's most unusual filmplay. Starring Basil Rathbone, Ellen Drew and John Howard with Barbara Allen, Ralph Morgan, Martin Kosleck and Kitty Kelly. Opens today.

GRAND.—"Too Many Girls."—Dear old Potawatamie lives again as George Abbott's amazingly successful Broadway Musical comedy reaches the screen with many of the original cast, augmented by some of Hollywood's best looking girls. With Lucille Ball, Richard Carlson, Ann Miller, Eddie Bracken, Frances Langford, Desi Arnaz and Hal Le Roy. Reviewed elsewhere.

NANKING.—"Give Us Wings."—Useful members of society now, but filled with the same spirit of adventure, the Dead End Kids take to the air—to provide a drama that is packed with swift and exciting action. With the Dead End Kids and the Little Tough Guys, Billy Halop, Huntz Hall, Gabriel Dell, Bernard Punsly, Bobby Jordan and Wallace Ford. Victor Jory, Anne Gwynne and Shemp Howard. Reviewed elsewhere.

ROXY.—"Keeping Company." — This, one of the most loveable comedies to leave Hollywood in some time, has that veteran, Frank Morgan, in the leading role, supported by Ann Rutherford, John Shelton, Irene Rich and Virginia Weidler. Reviewed yesterday.

METROPOL.—"The Thief of Bagdad."—Packed with all the magic, mystery and romance of "the Arabian Nights" and filmed in technicolour this dazzling page from Eastern Fantasy, with its flying horses, magic carpets and gigantic djinns easily outvies anything of the kind ever thrown upon a screen. Starring Sabu, June Duprez, John Justin and Conrad Veidt. This is the latest Alexander Korda production.

UPTOWN.—"The Spider's Web."—(Part two)—with Warren Hull, Iris Meredith and Richard Fisk. Out of the thrill-brimming pages of the famous "Spider" Magazine stalks the master sleuth of modern times. Pitting his cunning against a super-criminal in a most blood-chilling play.

DOUMER.—"Wuthering Heights."—Acclaimed by New York critics as the best of that year on account of the realistic atmosphere and powerful acting. The film stars Laurence Olivier and Merle Oberon in soul-gripping drama of the Highlands.

CAPITOL.—"Charlie Chan in Panama."—Attempted sabotage of America's lifeline by a gang to whom murder is a pastime, brings the famous Chinese sleuth his most amazing case and one that takes all his ingenuity to solve. With Sidney Toler, Jean Rogers, Lionel Atwill and Sen Yung.

Films Coming

"They Drive by Night."—Stirring action-packed melodrama built round the men who risk their lives nightly in America's most dangerous business, driving the trucks that eat up the country's highways at 50 m.p.h. after sundown, carrying perishable produce to distant markets and waging bitter private wars as a sideline. Starring George Raft, Ann Sheridan, Ida Lupino and Humphrey Bogart, with Gale Page, Alan Hale, Roscoe Karns and John Lited. Coming tomorrow to the **NANKING.**

"Boom Town."—With such a magnificent cast as Spencer Tracy, Clark Gable, Claudette Colbert and Hedy Lamarr, this great drama provides superlative entertainment. There is action aplenty, laid against the colourful background of oil wells and oil fires, while the acting of Gable and Tracy leaves nothing to be desired, not to mention such excellent feminine support. Coming on Saturday to the **ROXY.**

"The Mummy's Hand."—Weird chills from the land of the Pharaohs envelops a group of archeologists who dare an ancient curse to solve the most astonishing mystery ever encountered by mortal man. With Dick Foran, Peggy Moran, Wallace Ford, Cecil Kellaway, Eduardo Ciannelli, George Zucco and Tom Tyler. Coming to the **METROPOL.**

"Murder Over New York."—Scotland Yard invites Charlie Chan to assist in the solution of the case of the Stratosphere Bomber. Excitement mounts as daring criminals defy the famous Chinese sleuth and kill right under his nose. The denouement is as logical as it is thrilling. With Sidney Toler, Marjore Weaver, Robert Lowry, Ricardo Cortez, Donald MacBride, Melville Cooper, John Valerie, Kane Richmond and Sen Yung. Coming to the **GRAND.**

"Judge Hardy and Son."—The Hardy films have been established as the most widely-followed series on the screen in the past few years, and this is another hit—with Mickey Rooney, Lewis Stone, Cecilia Parker, Fay Holden and Sarah Haden—the stars movie-goers have learnt to love since the series first began some two years ago. Coming to the **ROXY.**

"One Night in the Tropics."—An all-star, all-entertainment cast romps through a delightfully unusual story replete with warm romance and hilarious with merry-making, and set to melodies in a gorgeous tropical environment. Starring Allan Jones, Nancy Kelly, Robert Cummings, Bud Abbott and Lou Costello, with Mary Boland, Leo Carrillo, William Frawley and Peggy Moran. Soon at the **NANKING.**

"One Million B.C."—Imagination runs riot in this gigantic attempt to reconstruct the world as it was when man was still in the making and mammoth beasts battled with him for surpremacy countless aeons before the birth of history. Featuring Victor Mature, Carole Landis, Lon Chaney, John Hubbard and Mamo Clark. Coming to the **METROPOL.**

"Queen of the Mob."—A gripping tale of "Persons in Hiding" built round the real life story of a woman crook who uses her three sons to wage war on society—from the book by J. Edgar Hoover. With Ralph Bellamy, Blanche Yurka, J. Carrol Naish, Jean Cagney, William Henry, Richard Denning and Paul Kell. Coming to the **NANKING.**

"Free, Blonde and 21."—Nights of drama and thrill-packed suspense at a New York hotel for women, with some girls playing the game, while others play the fool and—at least one of them—the sneak. With Lynn Bari, Mary Beth Hughes, Joan Davis, Henry Wilcoxon, Robert Lowry, Alan Baxter, Katharine Aldridge, Helen Ericson and Chick Chandler. Coming to the **CATHAY.**

Tower Artiste

Larissa Anders presents bright numbers nightly in the Bund hostelry.

FROM SHANGHAI FOOTLIGHTS AND FILMS

"Boom Town"

Seldom has a picture such star value as this which opens at the Roxy on Saturday. An ideal quartette, consisting of Spencer Tracy, Claudette Colbert, Clark Gable and Heddy Lamarr, are tops.

"A Date With Destiny"

In one of his strongest roles, Basil Rathbone opens at the Cathay Theatre today. Associated with him are Ellen Drew, John Howard, Barbara Allen, Kitty Kelly and Ralph Morgan.

"Too Many Girls"

Current at the Grand Theatre in this smart musicale are Lucille Ball and Desi Arnaz (recently married) in leading roles—also Richard Carlson, Ann Miller and Frances Langford.

"They Drive by Night"

Long awaited in Shanghai, this film opens at the Nanking tomorrow. It is Ida Lupino's big picture. Also starred are George Raft, Humphrey Bogart, Ann Sheridan and Alan Hale.

Music by Air Mail

In the near future mail from Hongkong will bring to Guy Roberts, band leader of the Bolero Night Club, Irving Berlin's latest and greatest song success. "A Little Old Church in England," a song described as being fully the equal of his famous "God Bless America." The number was placed aboard a Clipper ship from the United States, by special arrangements made by the alert Mr. Roberts, who anticipates that the song will prove a sensation. Roberts, it is recalled, was the first band leader here to play and sing "God Bless America." Featured with the Roberts band are Geza & Gino, known as the two G-men; K. James and Jack the drummer.

"Kit Carson."—Spotlighting the adventure-filled episodes that made up the real-life story of the greatest of all American frontier scouts, this thrilling and romantic action drama is a veritable saga of Covered Wagon days in the lawless old West. Starring Jon Hall, Lynn Bari, Dana Andrews, Ward Bond, Renie Riano, Clayton Moore and Rowena Cook. Coming to the **NANKING.**

"Charter Pilot."—Adventure, romance, comedy and thrills in a tale of attempted sabotage in the skies and of a love romance that introduces the screen's scrappiest sweethearts. With Lloyd Nolan, Lynn Bari, Arleen Whelan, George Montgomery, Hobart Cavanaugh and Henry Victor. Coming to the **METROPOL.**

"Michael Shayne, Private Detective."—Introducing a new wisecracking, tough-and-ready sleuth to the screen in the bewildering tale of a practical joke that misfired and a detective on the spot for the crime he is out to solve. With Lloyd Nolan, Marjorie Weaver, Joan Valerie, Walter Abel, Elizabeth Patterson, Donald MacBride and Douglas Dumbrille. Coming to the **GRAND.**

"Lady With Red Hair."—Packed with romance and thrills, this is the real life story of Mrs. Leslie Carter, the great tragedy queen and toast of society who created the leading role in "Zaza" and many other famous plays at the turn of the century. Starring Miriam Hopkins, with Claude Rains, Richard Ainley, Laura Hope Crews, Helen Westley, John Litel and Mona Barrie. Coming to the **CATHAY.**

"Second Chorus."—Boasting a better story than is usually accorded shows of this kind, this is a typical Fred Astaire Musicale, with a new and exciting partner for Fred. Packed with clever gags, tuneful melodies and spectacular ensembles, it introduces Astaire in some of the best dance numbers he has brought to the screen. Starring Fred Astaire, with Paulette Goddard, Burgess Meredith, Charles Butterworth and Artie Shaw and his band. Coming to the **GRAND.**

"Down Argentine Way."—A gay tale of love and racing in romantic Buenos Aires gives ample opportunity for colourful fiestas, tuneful songs and dazzling Argentine dances. This spectacular musical extravaganza is filmed entirely in technicolour. Starring Don Amiche, Betty Grable, Carmen Miranda, with Charlotte Greenwood, J. Carrol Naish, Henry Stephenson, Katharine Aldridge. Coming to **METROPOL.**

To Dine and Dance

ARGENTINA.—Night club. George Roth and his orchestra. Ricardo Woo, Sitnikova and Anatole and Olympia.

BALALAIKA. — Sandor Stern and Harry Taffet. Floor show.

BLACK CAT.—Night club. Klein and Rink.

BOLERO.—Night club. K. James and Guy Roberts.

CASANOVA.—Gloria Andico's orchestra. Dani Sisters.

CATHAY HOTEL LOUNGE.—Morning and afternoon tea and cocktails. Tea concerts.

CATHAY RESTAURANT. — 8th floor.

COSMO CLUB.—Morris orchestra. Dorothy Baker and June West and Kay.

D. D.'s NIGHT CLUB.—Russian and foreign style cuisine. Tino's orchestra.

FARREN'S.—Mike's Music Masters. Volsky's Follies and Sally.

JESSFIELD.—Night club. Teddy and Ferry Guzza—Also Havsky.

METROPOLE HOTEL.—Grill and dining rooms for business tiffins and other occasions.

PACIFIC HOTEL.—Dinner dances. Sunday tea dance. Soffre's orchestra.

PARAMOUNT.—Cabaret, Tony Diaz's swing orchestra.

PARK HOTEL.—Dancing nightly Sunday tea dance, Itkis' orchestra. Marryfield and Sanders—floor show.

ROXY.—Night club. Harry Fisher's swing band. Fobau—Dinah.

TOWER.—Night club, Tower orchestra. Larissa Anders. Nightly excepting Sunday.

Martha Scott All American

"Miss Bishop" Role Hailed as Fine Art Of American Picture Studios

MARTHA Scott might very easily be the girl we sat next to in school, writes Louella O. Parsons in the "Oregonian." She might be the next-door neighbour who brings her books in to study her home work and to worry, as we have all done, over problems in algebra and compositions for our English classes. She is as real, as human and as down-to-earth as any American girl who is seeking an education.

In this day of worry over foreign talent getting the limelight, it is very refreshing to know that the girl who made the greatest progress of any movie actress last year is 100 per cent. American. Martha comes from Kansas City, that midwestern, overgrown town where the west means the east. Martha wanted an education and because her family are in moderate circumstances there didn't seem a chance for her to continue until an old maid school teacher, Ida B. Lilly, staked her. Miss Lilly saw to it that Martha went to Ann Arbor and obtained a teacher's certificate.

Powell's Seat Assigned

Jeanne Eagels, Ginger Rogers and Bill Powell all came from Kansas City where Martha went to junior college. She sat in the seat where Bill Powell studied his lessons, and she said to herself, "I am going to Hollywood and meet him." "I never met him," Martha laughed, "until a few weeks ago. Then I said, 'You inspired me to become an actress'." He thought I was joking until I told him how I had sat in his seat at junior college in Kansas City.

I visited Martha on the set at Columbia after I had seen "Cheers for Miss Bishop." I wanted her to know that I was so carried away with her performance that I couldn't restrain the tears, so emotionally was I affected by her splendid portrayal of the teacher.

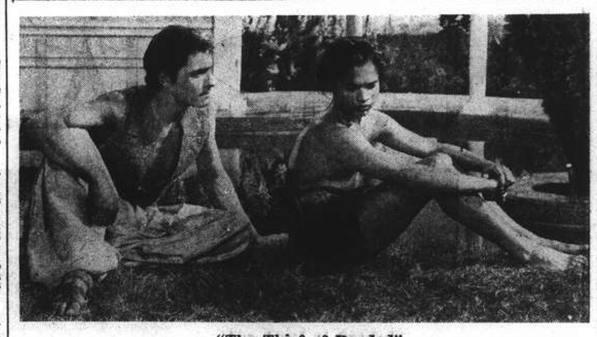
After I had talked with her and she had told me how a teacher changed her whole life, I understood why she was able to put such feeling and such sympathy into a characterization.

"You know," said Martha, with a tear glistening in her own dark eyes, "I felt I was repaying her for her faith in me."

"Miss Ida is such a modest soul," Martha went on, "that she always refuses to discuss lending me money so I could go to Ann Arbor. I didn't make enough money to finish paying her until I came to Hollywood for 'Our Town.' But money," said Martha, "could never adequately pay my debt to Miss Ida, to whom I owe everything."

"Miss Lilly will love 'Cheers for Miss Bishop'," I said.

"I modeled my characterization from what I knew of her. When I first read the script," Martha said, "I told Richard Rowland I could never look like a woman of 70." He said, "Do me a favour and make a test." "So I did, and gradually I grew to love Miss Bishop and to feel I wanted to do justice to her fineness and to her integrity."



"The Thief of Bagdad"

More people have seen this picture in Shanghai than any other on its first run—Sabu and John Justin still attract at the Metropol.

Nocturnal Rendezvous

One of the outstanding items of the Argentina Night Club—Shanghai's newest and best nocturnal rendezvous—is the sparkling music played by George Roth and his orchestra. Versatile musicians, they offer a wide variety of musical pieces from hot rhythmic swing, to sweeping waltzes and tingling tangoes. The regular programme includes Claudia Sitnikova, Spanish dancer and singer, Anatole and Olympia, two talented terpsichorean artistes and Ricardo Woo, silver-voiced tenor recently returned from Europe. The Argentina itself is the most tastefully decorated night club in the city. Furnishings and fixtures are a streamlined blend of the latest in modern designing plus a striking South American *motif*. Drinks are of the best, and the menu includes Spanish and South American dishes. The management suggests that reservations be made early to avoid the rush.

Three Dani Sisters

Headlining the floor show at the Casanova Ballroom are the Dani Sisters, three in number, exponents of modern dancing, and particularly adept at tap dancing in the Ginger Rogers style. Music is furnished by the Gloria Andico dance band, which has several good vocalists, including Miss Gloria. Foreign hostesses only are employed, both in the ballroom proper and at the cocktail bar. The Casanova is under the management of Mr. Sol Greenberg.

"Give Us Wings"

One of the Dead End Kids, featured at the Nanking Theatre today.

"Merrie England"

Playgoers are reminded that the big production of the season by the A.D.C., "Merrie England," is due at the Lyceum Theatre on March 29. Promoted to swell the coffers of the British War Funds, "Merrie England will offer its patrons an excellent evening's entertainment. tuneful music, attractive songs, droll comedians and a chorus such as hardly ever has been heard in a comic opera by the A.D.C.

In England during the summer months pageants are often held depicting scenes in English history; they are usually held in the grounds of some stately castle or old mansion under the spreading trees, and they are very beautiful to see and are of considerable educational value particularly to the young. In "Merrie England" Shanghai will have an opportunity of witnessing something of the same sort on the boards of the Lyceum. The greatest care has been taken in the mounting of the opera, the correctness of the costumes and scenery having been carefully studied.

The seats have been moderately prices at $5 and it is hoped that no Briton or friends of Britons will fail to witness at least one of the performances. If a good location is desired early application for seats should be made.

Farren's Floor Show

Now that the Western District police force, consisting of foreigners, Chinese and Japanese, has been established and is functioning efficiently, patrons of establishments in the former "badlands" may rest assured of adequate protection at all times. This has been evidenced by the increase of clientele at Farren's and the night spots along Yu Yuen Road.

Mr. Farren this week is featuring, in addition to Volsky's Ballet, Helga Scott, charming and youthful accordeonist. She will be included in the new bill, which begins tomorrow. Sally, styled international chantress, is more popular nightly at Farren's as she sings with the orchestra. Another new act is promised by the management in the near future.

Tower Quartette

Splendid music, older favourites or the latest popular song hits from Hollywood pictures, is rendered nightly at the Tower, Sundays excepted. Goldstein (leader), Porges, Brown and Romanoff play in the lounge as well at tea, Sundays and Saturdays excepted, but they render a tiffin concert on Saturday of each week.

In the Tower, Larissa Anders presents at least two numbers nightly, coming back for a third when called by popular request.

"Charms of Spring"

Nevskaya will be with the Russian Light Opera tonight.

Shirley and Metro Sign New Contract

Star to Make Two Films In 40 Weeks at Salary of $100,000; Mother's Pay

Shirley Temple, for six years a box-office queen before being deposed in 1940 when she appeared below 26th place in the "Motion Picture Herald's" poll, will resume her career soon at Metro. While her salary at MGM will be reduced to less than half her earnings during her golden year, 1938, she still can not be ranked among the underprivileged one-third of a nation, writes Douglas W. Churchill to the "New York Times." The star's contract, approved by Superior Court Judge Emmet H. Wilson, calls for $100,000 for forty weeks' work, and to this, under a side agreement, will be added $40,000 for Mrs. George Temple, the youngster's mother. In 1938, according to the Treasury Department's list, the two were paid $307,014 by Twentieth Century-Fox.

No plans have been announced by Metro for Shirley; in fact, the studio professes to have no official knowledge of her acquisition in spite of the Court's action. It is understood, however, that when she reports at the Culver City plant it will be for an untitled musicale in which she will be co-starred with Mickey Rooney. This will, in all probability, be followed by "Kathleen." She is to make two pictures during the year, and in case the studio feels that she has made a substantial comeback, an option is held on her services for another year.

Shirley's compensation and box-office ratings have shown a close relationship. In 1934 she zoomed from obscurity to eighth place in the "Herald" poll. The next year she was in first place, a position she held through 1938. In 1939 she dropped to sixth place and her contract was bought by Fox in May of last year. When she attained the No. 1 spot in the poll, her contract was rewritten, and in 1936 she earned $121,422. This was increased in 1937 to $162,500, inclusive of her mother's pay, and the next year the sum was $307,014.

Montgomery and Studio Relations

If Metro has not taken official cognizance of Miss Temple's employment, it has been reduced to a state of complete official ignorance over strained relations between Robert Montgomery and the studio. Ever since the star's candid remarks in New York about the leadership of the industry rumours have been as rife as speculation over the ultimate outcome. That the uncomplimentary observations would not go unnoticed was conceded in all quarters, but it is improbable that even the star envisioned the manner in which the chastisement would be applied. It was not until recently when a Metro executive said, Wait until you see what Van Dyke does to him in 'Rage in Heaven'; Montgomery will be fixed up properly," that any word came from the inner circle confirming what Hollywood has had reason to believe.

Combining gossip with known facts, a summary of the situation includes these elements: Major W. S. Van Dyke was borrowed from the Marine Corps to direct "Rage in Heaven" in as short a time as possible. He has been used frequently to discipline rebellious performers and the studio felt it was worth while to secure a furlough for him. The script did not meet with Montgomery's full approval but, contrary to custom, it was not changed along the lines he suggested.

No rehearsals of scenes have been permitted him; Van Dyke calls "camera" and the actors recite their lines. Executives expressed open displeasure and disappointment that Montgomery's "Mr. and Mrs. Smith," which he made at RKO with Carole Lombard is, according to advance notices, one of his best comedies; they fear stockholder criticism will result from their action in "Rage in Heaven."

Meanwhile, Montgomery appears to be as buoyant as ever. He assured the Metro publicity department that he would not embarrass its members or jeopardize their jobs by popping off to the press when interviewed. He has refrained from this and reporters have been able to talk to him unguarded. Major Van Dyke's only comment on the situation resulted from a question on whether marines or actors were the most difficult to handle. "I'd like to get some of these birds down at San Diego with me for 30 days," he said. "They'd learn something."

METROPOL

COMING SOON!

WATCH FOR IT!

"Charms of Spring"

The Russian Light Opera is presenting tonight in the Lyceum Strauss' "Charms of Spring," which many believe was the motivating factor, at least in certain episodes, of Deanna Durbin's "Spring Parade." Featured in this melodic musicale are Slobodskoy, Darova, Rosen, Valin and Nevskaya. A colourful ballet routine entitled, "Flower Dance," will be interpreted by Seroff and Manjelei and ensemble.

The show is to be repeated on Saturday and Sunday.

Old Timers Continue

There is a common view that although actors may stay on the screen for a generation or so and still be welcomed, actresses must almost always disappear with their youth. Lewis Stone, Aubrey Smith, Ronald Colman and William Powell are instanced as actors who have held their own in spite of advanced or advancing years. But, if one thinks a little longer one will call to mind a number of actresses who have not been staled by time.

Even those who have retired have a way of coming back again. For example, in Shirkey Temple's new film, "Young People." Mae Marsh can be seen in the minor role of one of the gossips. She is now 45 years of age and began her film career before "The Birth of a Nation." She was one of those who appeared to become casualties when talkies altered the technique of expression. Clearly, sound has not made a complete end of her.

Then, there is the remarkable instance of Nazimova who is now 61. Born in Crimea, she appeared in London with a Russian company in 1904. But it was in New York that she earned her brilliant reputation. So famous did she become that in 1916 she was offered £200 a day to appear in the movies. This was a colossal salary for those times. When Nazimova appeared in "Camille," she chose Rudolph Valentino as her leading man.

An Unknown Cast

From time to time Mr. Howard Hughes makes a picture and when he does it is a picture that is talked about. For instance, he once made "Hell's Angels" and as the result Jean Harlow become one of the most talked about actresses on the screen. Another time he made "Scarface" and Paul Muni popularized the gangster while George Raft leaped into fame.

Now Howard Hughes making another picture. His theme will once more be crime, but of a less sophisticated and urban nature than "Scarface." It is called "The Outlaw," based upon the life history of a notorious gunman "Billy the Kid." He has chosen his cast from unknown players and has taken quite a long while about it.

Two Singers Featured

Featured at present at the Roxy Night Club is Harry C. Fisher's special arrangement of the new dance hit, "Yes, My Darling Daughter," with Miss Dinah, pleasing crooner, in the role of vocalist. The number is high in favour with patrons. The Roxy's other topnotch vocalist, Fred Fobau, is also featuring his own arrangement of a Rumanian dance number. Fobau also plays violin. Standard short orders and popular special dishes are served.

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Bette Davis' New Role

During a considerable period the name of Bette Davis was associated with tragedy and tragedy of the gloomiest kind. She seemed to have developed a passion for death or the suggestion of a hopeless future. Strangely enough, the public which is supposed to dislike gloom, flocked to Bette Davis. One supposes that she satisfied the popular inclination for a good cry.

But it may be that Miss Davis has exhausted her own enjoyment of tragedy or that she thinks her public has almost come to an end of their enjoyment. Whatever the reason, she contemplates a change of policy and a change of mood. Recently, when she was in New York, she went to see "The Man Who Came to Dinner." This is a comedy which has been drawing great crowds to a Broadway Theatre. In it was a part in which the star saw herself well fitted.

As the play stands it is not a long part, but Miss Davis has suggested to her studio that the part should be lengthened and made more suitable to a great star. No doubt the studio will be willing to take the hint. Another suggestion of Miss Davis is that John Barrymore should join her and play the title role. This will temporarily obscure the profile for "The Man Who Came to Dinner" came in a beard.

At the Jessfield

Havsky has rejoined his old love, the Jessfield Night Club. He, with his innate artistry, supports Teddy and Ferry Guzza, and guests again are assured of two pianos and drums. The boys are at their best these days and are a positive delight, inasmuch as they render those *intimé* tunes, in keeping with the atmosphere.

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British China Squadron:
An Appropriate Hope

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—An appropriate colloquial name for a craft of the British China Squadron, R.A.F. would be "Typhoon." Let us hope that each one will down a few "Blowhards."

C. E. S.

Shanghai, Mar. 19.

B.W.A. War Work:
Performance Up to Date

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—It has been suggested that the members of the B.W.A. and their friends would be interested in the following. It is a list of shipments made since our war work started in September 1939.

Nov. 21, 1939, 9 cases ...for England
Feb. 26, 1940, 14 cases ..for England
May 14, 1940, 25 cases ....for England
July 20, 1940, 24 cases ...for England
Sept. 22, 1940, 21 cases ..for England
Oct. 24, 1940, 10 cases .for Hongkong
Sept. 25, 1940, 15 cases .for Hongkong
Nov. 28, 1940, 8 cases ..for Singapore
Dec. 17, 1940, 12 cases ..for Singapore

We have had news that all these have reached their destination. We have still to hear of the following:

Oct. 23, 1940, 13 cases ....for England
Nov. 28, 1940, 32 cases ..for England
Dec. 17, 1940, 11 cases ..for England
Mar. 14, 1941, 24 cases ..for England
Jan. 23, 1941, 11 cases ....for Sudan

These shipments included 10 cases sent by the Belgian and 14 cases by the Netherland communities for their people in England. We shall in a short time be sending another supply of pyjamas, bandages, slings, gauze dressings, etc., to the Middle East and would be very grateful for empty packing cases.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank British shipping firms who so generously take all our work gratis, and would add that lighterage, insurance, cases, strapping of cases, local transport and customs facilities are all generously donated by firms and individuals in Shanghai, and we owe them a debt of gratitude.

RUTH ARNOLD JONES.

Shanghai, Mar. 18.

Our Beggars:
And Child Exploitation

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Recent letters in your correspondence columns and the response to the Salvation Army's efforts to establish camps for Chinese beggars reflect the public's sympathy on this subject. I recently read an account of a speech by Miss Eleanor Hinder on the same subject. In it she pointed out that it was far more profitable for beggars to ply their trade on the streets than to enter these camps. This is an undeniable fact. But, the question arises, who benefits—the beggar individually or, as in many cases, the unfortunate children selected from Shanghai's most physically mangled community by the exploiters who act in the role of a profession which, could not be described in print?

There is a pathetic case on The Bund within a few hundred yards of the Central Police Station and within the sight of scores of policemen daily patrolling this thoroughfare. It is a small Chinese boy, blinded through some cataractic disease, who kneels hour after hour, clutching his hands and "chin chinning" to passers-by while a dirty, unkempt, scruffy-looking individual sits on the kerb, puffing cigarettes as this pathetic object of misery earns for him his living. I do not know what powers the police possess to deal with these cases. Somebody informed me that they had power to remove such unfortunate children to camps or institutions and give them a chance, despite their deformities, to enjoy a decent life without being exploited as in this case which must be witnessed daily by hundreds of people. The scruffy individual in question may be the "father," but I seriously doubt the relationship. I have seen the kid cuffed regularly when the performance did not seem to be successful.

Until the police take action, if they possess the power, or the kindly services of the Salvation Army may be prevailed upon to do something I suggest that if members of the public passing along The Bund regularly plant a swift kick in a vulnerable part of this man's anatomy there might be a change. It might not immediately help the child's lot, but it might help to suppress this form of child exploitation.

I enclose herewith $10 as a donation to the Salvation Army in the hope that this unfortunate child might be assisted. I regret that other calls make it impossible to increase the amount.

FRIEND OF THE KID

P. S. May I enclose another $5, in the hope that this poor little boy may find a home in the Beggar's Camp, which I consider admirable?

A FEMININE FRIEND OF THE KID

Shanghai, Mar. 17.

Power and Gas:
Ways to Save Both

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Suggestions for reduction to the Shanghai Power, Light and Gas supplies:

1. Cut off supplies, including water and telephone, to all gambling dens in all Shanghai.
2. Request all factories, cotton-mills, etc., to curtail their supplies during meal hours and allow their workers to eat at one time, at present they eat in relays with all plants running.
3. As the curfew has never been lifted, now is the time to enforce it from 12 p.m. to 5 a.m. for all nationalities, and that all places of amusement, cabarets, clubs, etc., be closed by 11.30 p.m.

If these suggestions were adopted it would not create any hardship on the "Shanghai masses" and a crisis would be avoided by a saving of 25 to 35 per cent on fuel.

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Shanghai, Mar. 18.

Saturday's Riot:
Some Pertinent Questions

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—The riot at the Canidrome last Saturday during a football match between the Police and a Chinese College team, apart from being a disgraceful affair should give foreigners in China something to think about. Firstly, the spectators who caused the trouble were almost all University and College students. Secondly, they shouted foul epithets at any inoffensive foreigners who happened to be on the scene, calling them "foreign dogs" and suchlike; and thirdly, if it had not been for the promptitude and courage of the French Police they would without doubt have done grevious bodily harm to any foreigners they could have got hold of, seeing they numbered about 100 to 1. Now what I am thinking is this. Is there anti-foreign feeling being fostered in Chinese schools and universities, whilst at the same time China is appealing to England and America to help her throw off the Japanese yoke, England and America will without doubt do this when they have finished with Hitler, and have the time, but having completed that job will it then be necessary to have allied troops in all the large cities of China to protect the lives and properties of foreigners? A Chinese writing today in your correspondence column suggests that Referees should be chosen for these mixed matches who can make funny faces at the Chinese spectators and keep them in a good mood. If that is the mentality of Chinese football fans then let them go to a circus and see the clowns and leave a fine game like football alone.

FAN.

Shanghai, Mar. 19.

Parcels for Europe:
A Question Answered

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Referring to the sending of parcels to Europe, you state in your issue of March 15 that a high official of the Shanghai Post Office declared that the only mail route to Europe is via Siberia, where transmission of parcels has been suspended.

In that case, why does the General Post Office in Shanghai accept free of charge parcels post not exceeding two kilograms to be sent to prisoners of war in Germany?

Why do some local German firms undertake the sending of parcels to Germany, occupied countries and unoccupied France?

Talking of prisoners of war and parcels, I would like to know what the communities concerned, especially the French, have done here to help their unfortunate countrymen starving in Germany?

PAUL

Shanghai, Mar. 18.

***It is explained by a high official of the Shanghai Post Office that while transmission of parcels has been suspended "letter packets" treated as "light mail" by the Post Office can still be mailed to Europe. The weight of a letter packet must not exceed two kilograms and it is different from a parcel. Letter packets can be mailed to Europe without restriction by any person provided that sufficient postage charge has been paid, but in the case of prisoners of war, the postage is free by reason of an international agreement.—ED.

Russian Ball:
Statement of Accounts

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—I shall be very grateful if you will kindly publish the following Statement of Accounts of the Russian New Year's Eve Ball held at the Cercle Sportif Francais on January 13 in aid of the charities of the Russian Ex-Service Men's Association.

Receipts

1 664 Entrance tickets	$4,788.00
2 Tombola and Raffle	4,934.85
3 Sale of programmes	702.50
4 Suppers and bar	714.80
5 Advertisements in the programmes	1,282.50
6 Donations	757.00
	$13,179.65

Expenditures

1 Entertainment taxes F. M. C.	$ 515.20
2 Rent of ballroom, orchestra, servants etc. at the C. S. F.	807.50
3 Expenses for the floor show	648.10
4 Printing, stationtry etc...	716.32
5 Drawing of posters, programme covers, advertising in papers etc	125.38
6 Remuneration of various workers, petty expenses etc.	352.00
	$ 3,164 50
Net Profit	10,015.15
	$13,179.65

The numbers of the winning tickets of the Raffle drawn at the Ball and the prizes drawn by each of them are as follows:

Nos. of tickets	Prizes
923	Free order for painting of pastel portrait (lady or child) by A. A. Efimoff—kindly offered by the artist.
416	An oil painted picture by T. Jaspar kindly donated by the artist.
590	A picture by Sapajou—kindly donated by the artist.
745	A Miniature—by A. A. Efimoff—kindly donated by the artist.
1137	One ton of coal—kindly donated by Hongay Sales, Ltd.,
497	An Evening Gown—kindly donated by Mme d'Auxion de Ruffé and "La Donna."
1038	An Evening Gown—kindly donated by "Tania."
1151	An Evening Gown—kindly donated by "Madame Helène," Cathay Mansions.
1552	A lady's wrist watch—kindly donated by Alexander Clark Co., Ltd.,
910	A set of chessmen—kindly donated by a friend.
1239	An American Electric iron, streamline model—kindly donated by a friend.
430	A man's silk gown—kindly donated by Messrs. A. V. Koneff.

The prizes won by the tickets Nos. 745, 1151 and 1552 have not yet been claimed. Holders of these tickets are kindly requested to get in touch with Col. L. Ducimetière, c/o. Baboud, Mary & Cie., 17 Canton Road, (Tel. 19775) or at his residence during tiffin hours (Tel. 74231).

The Ball Committee wishes to express its heartiest thanks to all who have contributed to the success of the Ball, particularly:

The Ladies Commiftee and all ladies who accepted the task of collecting prizes for the Raffle and the Tombola and soliciting for advertisements in the programme:

Mmes Barraud, M. Walter, Bajenoff, Beresnevitch, Bredow, Coquelet, Down, Ducimetière, Grosbois, Jaspar, Kirsanoff, Krebtovitch, Kuznetzoff, Mende, Pavloff, Pavlovsky, Popoff, Philippovitch, Ribaltovsky, Sapegin, Sigaut, Shaiditzky, Skoblin, Sokoloff and V. Walter.

Mrs. Boukanoff and Messrs. Bijoux Beraha, Col. Elssautier, Mr. C. N. Gray, Col. J. W. Hornby, Messrs. N. A. Ivanoff, S. D. Ivanoff, A. S. Jaspar, J. F. Macgregor, P. Santerre, V. Siu, Col. A. Tatarinoff—for donations in cash.

All Foreign and Russian firms which kindly donated prizes for the Raffle and the Tombola and inserted their advertisements in the programme.

Mmes Bobynina, Buturlin, Koutter, Lachinoff, Nickels, Pavloff, Philippovitch, Popoff, Shelegin, Senkevitch, Sossier, Stepanoff, Trolle, Vedeniapin, and Messrs. Fomin and Shevlugin, who so kindly took part in the floor show.

M. d'Auxion de Ruffé who kindly consented to be the speaker at the Ball, and Mrs. Sokoloff and Messrs. Evdokimoff and Sossier who were in charge of the control of the floor show.

Mmes Chetverikoff, Kuznetzoff, Pavloff, Pavlovsky, and Messrs. Bajenoff, Chembulatoff, Chetverikoff, Ilkoff, Kitchigin, Kluge—for their kind drawing and painting of artistic posters and covers for programmes.

Mmes Biriuchenko, Lelianoff and Shaiditzky, and Messrs. Astafieff, Bredoff, Chembulatoff, Korobeinikoff, Krachenninikoff, Molostvoff, Nikiforoff, Pokrovsky, Savitsky, Shaiditzky, Shreders, Uskoff, E. Wilson and Yartzeff for their great work in decorating the Ball Room, sale of tickets, acting as cashiers and controllers at the ball, etc.

Mrs. Verlen for her kind loan of a Russian historical dress for the tableau vivant "Russia" and to Mme Lamoury and Misses Pen, Ponomareff and Rybb, who, in the fashion show, kindly demonstrated the gowns.

Messrs. Willow Pattern Press—for their kind art printing of the wine-list.

The Editors of the "China Press," "Far Eastern Times," "Journal de Shanghai," "North-China Daily News," "Shanghai Evening Post & Mercury," "Shanghai Times," "Shanghai Zaria" and "Slovo"—for having published articles concerning the Ball, and to Mrs. E. D. Ilyin for having supplied the local press with information regarding the Ball.

The Russian Ex-Officers' Club for having placed their premises at the disposal of the Committee for the rehearsal of the floor show, and the Cercle Sportif Français for renting their Ball Room and whose Administration has granted to the Committee their full support and accorded it all facilities in the organization of the Ball.

P. VEDENIAPIN,
President Russian Ex-Service Men's Association

Shanghai, Mar. 17.

Pope Grants Audience To Spanish Pretender

Vatican City, Mar. 19.

Pope Pius yesterday granted a private audience to Don Juan, pretender to the now non-existent throne of Spain and son of the late Alfonso XIII, former King of Spain. —United Press.

Seventy Years Ago

FROM THE "NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS" OF MARCH 20, 1871

It seems rathers doubtful, now, whether the increase in the members of the Municipal Council from seven to nine accomplished with the revision of the Land Regulations, was altogether an improvement. It appeared at the time, that the larger constituency admitted under the new régime would require larger representation, and that the Council might in consequence be placed on a broader basis. The difficulty, however, of getting nine men in whom the Ratepayers have sufficient confidence, to undertake the somewhat thankless post of sitting at the Council board, seems as great as ever. So much so indeed, that there is always fear of some one or two men on whom the choice of the electors might not otherwise fall, being admitted to the secret halls of Kungpoo. It is now some years since we have had in Shanghai the wholesome excitement of a contest for Municipal office, and it seems likely that this year will not prove an exception.

BY SAPAJOU

The Spring 1941

Rome Denies British Warning Received
Vatican Ignorant of Any Threat from Britain

Rome, Mar. 19.

Competent circles yesterday disclaimed knowledge of Britain having warned Italy in any way that Rome would be bombed by the R.A.F. if Italian planes bombed Athens. High Vatican quarters emphatically denied that the British had given Italy such a warning and pointed out that because of its position it could not relay messages of warning issued by one belligerent to another.

Observers here recalled that at the beginning of the Italian-Greek war both Catholic and Protestant dignitaries had expressed hopes that neither Athens nor Rome would be bombed.—United Press.

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2.30 Polish Music
2.00 Dance Music
3.50 Woman and Home, including a Talk by Stella Alexander at 3.50 p.m.
4.30 Chinese Programme
6.30 Polish Programme
7.30 French News and Commentary
8.00 **Relay of B.B.C. News (Conditions Permitting)**
8.30 "Out of the Bag"
9.00 **News in English followed by B.B.C. Programme and Local Announcements**
9.20 "What Greece Stands For" talk by Henry Brigg
9.30 An Hour at the Opera "Madame Butterfly."—Puccini
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11.10 Peter Adam's German Programme
11.40-11.45 **Late News Summary**

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6.30 Chinese music.
6.35 News in Chinese (Mandarin).
6.50 Light music.
7.20 Music by Russian composers.
7.30 News in Russian.
7.45 Music by Russian composers.
7.50 Light music
8.00 Causerie by Mme Caude Rivière. *Echoes of Shanghai and China.* The week in Shanghai. Review of "The origins of Chinese priesthood" by E. T. C. Werner.
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8.30 News in French.
8.45 Light music.
9.00 News in English.
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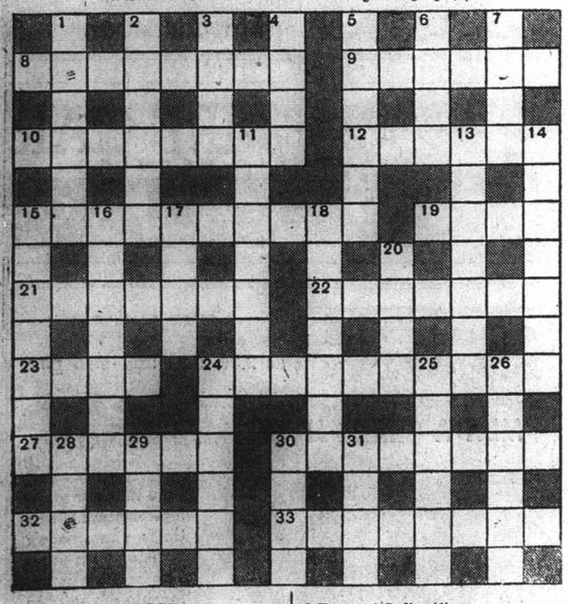

ACROSS

8 A bit of a fight (8)
9 Not a pleasing attitude to take (except to the taker perhaps) (6)
10 This is responsible for good writing not hurdles (8)
12 Man should not eat this as it makes him old (6)
15 Consecutive casts by an angler (three words—3, 3, 4)
19 Among the things Liverymen use at their banquets (4)
21 Character in "Midsummer Night's Dream" (7)
22 Is this responsible for the dearness of tea? It seems some rent is coming (7)
23 Material for paper-making (4)
24 Unsporting, nor a game (two words—3, 7)
27 Town of the Near East (6)
30 Trying metals as a remark (8)
32 The self-possession of the upright (6)
33 Is in pure surroundings to inflict punishment (8)

DOWN

1 "Is left" (anag.) (6)
2 Where in Arabia the cat is after the mouse of the classics (6)
3 Town of India (4)
4 Not a straight inclination (4)
5 Attack as a way to get on at sea (6)
6 Does this instrument produce spirited music (4)
7 Bird (4)
11 Medley of horseplay in a gambling game (7)
13 A piece of monolithic work (7)
14 After some physic get some woollen stuff (7)
15 A cephalopod mollusc (7)
16 One of Falstaff's friends might have described him thus in deadly fashion (7)
17 Though in all honesty it makes some sharper (4)
18 You can make a nice set from this (7)
20 Spirit of the Far East (4)
24 Neighbouring (6)
25 The prairie-wolf (6)
26 Is he always serious? (6)
28 Pine to make some poetry perhaps (4)
29 Bird (4)
30 In a sting this has stiffening results (4)
31 The sort of support to last (4)

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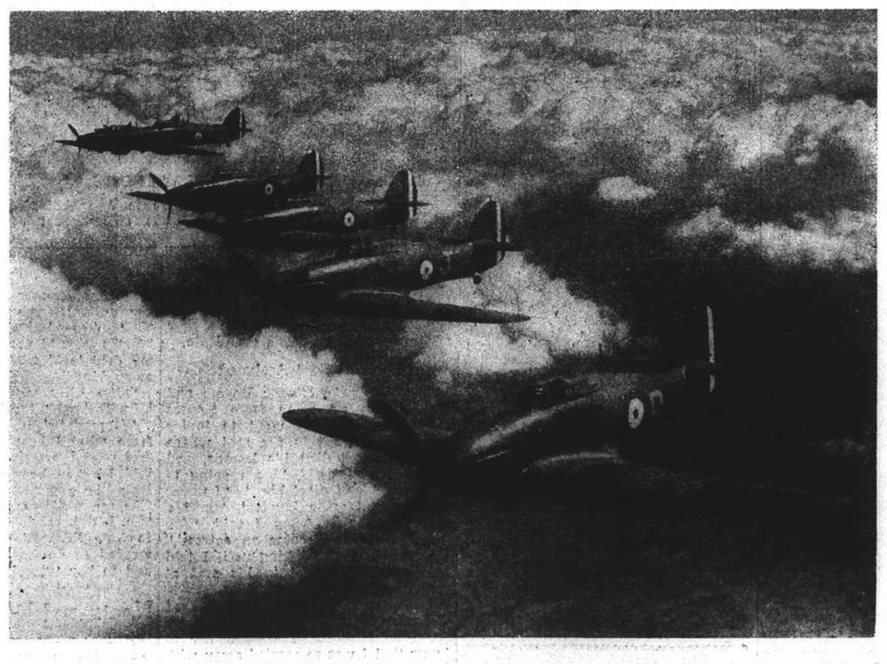

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THE THREAT TO GREECE

That a crisis between Greece and Germany is imminent is apparent from the conduct of the well disciplined German Press which is already commencing to tune up its hymn of hate, in precisely the same manner as it has heralded other German offensives. In Berlin it is understood in official circles that the relations between the two countries cannot now be regarded as normal, and a diplomatic breach is expected at any moment. The wonder is that it has not already occurred, and that Germany has not already struck at Greece from Bulgaria. But it is clear from the German-Yugoslav negotiations, in which the latter is proving not quite so amenable as Hitler would desire, that the reason why Germany has not struck, is because of poor communications in the Balkans and the urgent necessity for obtaining passage across Yugoslavia, if not of armies, at least of Germans who may be wounded in the fighting which is expected. Communications across Bulgaria are probably sufficient to maintain the German forces adequately supplied, but the few routes would be likely to become much congested if they were obliged to handle the two-way traffic which would become necessary.

Hitler would dearly like to invade Greece through Yugoslavia if that were at all possible, for a movement down the Vardar Valley towards Salonika is even more attractive than a similar endeavour down the Struma Valley to the Gulf of Rendina on which there are not the same harbour facilities as are provided by Salonika. It will be remembered that General Metaxas was responsible for the creation of two lines of fortifications in Greece, one stretching from Yannina to Florina and the other roughly running parallel to the Greco-Bulgarian border. Owing to what has happened since the war began, some doubt has been expressed as to the value of these permanent fortifications. Nevertheless that doubt has not yet been completely resolved. It is idle to regard the fate of the Maginot line as the last word on the subject, for those fortifications were never really availed of as their creator expected they would be, and it is possible that the Metaxas Line, manned by such daring and willing fighters as the Greeks have proved themselves to be, might prove a very real obstacle to German progress.

With the exception of the Vardar and Struma Valleys, the terrain over which the Germans are expected to move in an invasion of Greece is rough, almost as rough as that in Albania. Certainly it is something very different from the Low Countries, which were admirably adapted for mechanized forces, and there is a distinct possibility that the Germans will find themselves faced with practically the same problems as the Italians were in Albania. That the fighting qualities of the German troops will be much superior to that of the Italians may be taken for granted, but the Greeks with British assistance, which judging from persistent reports is already on the spot, ought to be able to give a good account of themselves and frustrate Hitler's attempt to reach the Mediterranean.

What Hitler is in search of, with regard to the negotiations with Yugoslavia, is to make sure of his line of retreat. Should Britain be able to carry the war to him in the Balkans, as it is hoped she will, substantial German forces would find it very difficult indeed to withdraw were a route not available through Yugoslavia. For this reason it may still be expected that overt action against Greece will not occur until Hitler has made himself quite certain of the Yugoslav attitude and of the possibility of being able to retreat through Yugoslavia should that become necessary. That has been responsible for the rather more gentle manner in which Hitler has negotiated with the Yugoslavs. He is out to secure, if possible, a maximum of advantage with a minimum of friction, but he is nevertheless faced with the fact that the Yugoslavs are jealous of their independence, and are not prepared supinely to surrender in the way other Balkan States have done. With an army of one million men in wartime, Yugoslavia is in a position and the temper to defend herself should that become necessary, and her government fully realizes the danger that if they do in fact yield to German pressure and grant the desired facilities, there is a very grave possibility of their country becoming the cockpit in which this war may be decided.

FOOD FOR FRANCE

Lord Halifax, the British Ambassador in the United States, has announced that certain imports of food to unoccupied France will be permitted to get through the British blockade, on the condition, which has apparently been guaranteed by the American Government, that the Germans are not benefitted, either directly or indirectly, thereby. At first sight it may be difficult to see how any food imported into areas over which the Germans exercise control—and unoccupied France must be included in these areas—can fail to assist the Germans in weakening the blockade. But if the American Red Cross, an organization which is thoroughly well instructed in the distribution of relief, believes that it can allocate the supplies which Britain will allow to get through in a manner which will not hinder Britain's war effort, then at least it is worth while letting them make the attempt. If it is subsequently proved that the supplies are helping the Germans, the decision may be revised, and the total blockade be reimposed.

Admiral Darlan's announcement to the press that it was possible that the Vichy Government would order the French fleet to convoy supplies to unoccupied France through the British blockade is another unfortunate proof of the extent to which the German domination of unoccupied France has been allowed to increase. There can be very little doubt that the Germans were responsible for such a statement, by putting pressure on the Vichy Government which they could not resist. If this is the case, then it would seem to be obvious that the Germans see some advantage to themselves—and not to the French people, about whom they do not care twopence—in such a relaxation of the British blockade. If means have been devised in Washington to ensure that they do not get this advantage which they hoped for, then there can be no objection whatsoever to allowing the French people to have all the food they want. For the British and their Allies who are continuing the struggle, confidently expect that, when the time comes, the French people will rise against their oppressors and join in any offensive which may be launched against the Nazi continent, in order to restore the liberty of all peoples, for which the French themselves have paid so many sacrifices.

In the meantime, however, there are certain vital facts which must not be lost sight of. Among them is the work now being done in French factories in unoccupied France on behalf of the German forces. It is reported without any possibility of truthful contradiction that some of these factories are turning out tools and aeroplane parts for the Germans, thus definitely assisting them to resist the British counter-offensive. It is known for certain that the Germans have taken one million tons of wheat from occupied France for the feeding of the peoples within the Reich. Of this enormous total they have returned about two million quintals, and have taken considerable credit to themselves for their generosity. Since unoccupied France depends largely for its supply of wheat upon occupied France, the shortage in the former area can be directly attributable to the Nazis.

All their talk of starving women and children, therefore, rebounds on to their own heads. It is also known beyond a shadow of contradiction that Axis armistice commissions are commandeering supplies which are being landed at Marseilles from French Africa, and railroading them direct to Nazi territories. These acts the Vichy Government has been unable to resist; and so long as the conditions under which Britain has permitted supplies to go through are unknown, it is impossible to say how this kind of Nazi extortion is to be met. That Britain has agreed to let the supplies through can be taken as evidence enough that an effective plan has been devised, with the co-operation of the United States, to make sure that the Germans benefit as little as possible.

German Hysteria

While at first the enemy Press maintained some reticence concerning President Roosevelt's speech on Saturday night it has now burst into full song. The melody is familiar. German newspapers unanimously denounce the President in the usual terms of abuse, calling him "well poisoner .... war monger .... wolf in sheep's clothing." The "Voelkischer Beobachter" carried double banner headlines "Blood Guilt of Jewish Anglo-Saxon Capitalism," and generally the President was vigorously excoriated by German writers. Signor Gayda, so often termed Mussolini's mouthpiece, is somewhat more restrained, though he threatens post-war reprisals against the United States if Mr. Roosevelt continues to attack the Axis. There is always one test of German reaction to any move that might be made against the Axis, and that is that the more violent their abuse the more certain it is that they have been touched on the raw, and that they fear the consequences. It is a type of hysteria which should be completely foreign to the characteristics of the dearly beloved "pure Aryan" of German conception, and would more naturally be expected from nations impressed by their own inferiority. The vehemence of German abuse, therefore, is clear symptom of fear, fear that American aid to the Allies will indeed assist in inflicting that defeat upon them without which this war will not come to an end. Those who make a practice of listening in to German broadcasts, and there are many who find much amusement in doing so, have learned by now that the more violent German abuse the more they are worried. If they are able to make much of the successes they have achieved, they manage to maintain some sort of a crude, boastful talking to be expected of the ordinary bully, but directly they find their plans go astray, they indulge in the type of abuse to be expected of the orator of the Munich "pub." Thus the more vehement the German Press and radio become, the more certain is it that the enemy has been rudely jolted. The Germans appear to have thought that after all American assistance would not amount to much, or that it would come too late, or that in any event it would not affect the chances of German victory. Indeed they endeavour to tell some such thing to the world at large, but the violence of their abuse, the childish practice of calling names, the display of hysteria all clearly prove that they realize the importance of American assistance to Great Britain and her Allies and are very considerably worried over it. The Nazis are undoubtedly criminally minded but they are very naive caitiffs.

Italy's Bad Cause

Many have wondered how the Italians have crumpled so lamentably before the British and Allied onslaughts in Africa, and perhaps the Rt. Hon. A. Duff Cooper, in a broadcast following the capture of Bardia is nearer the truth than most who have commented upon that Italian defeat. He said:—

'It is wrong to insult a defeated enemy; and it is inglorious for civilians to question the courage of those who have passed through the ordeal of battle. If events both in Libya and in Albania indicate a certain lack of determination and of enthusiasm in the Italian soldiery, there are causes to which this can be attributed without the imputation of lack of valour. The Greeks know that they are fighting for their own country, which has been wantonly and causelessly invaded by a far stronger power. The British soldier knows equally that he is fighting for existence, which he values, and for freedom, which he values more; and he knows that his Government were compelled by the aggressive policy of Nazi Germany to go to war.

'But what does the Italian say to himself on the morning of battle? Unlike the German, he has not even the defeat of the last war to avenge. He was victorious in the last war—with the assistance of his allies—and gained vast territories as a result of it. In the twenty years' interval he has attacked other nations, but has not been attacked by them. He has made no claims to which satisfaction has been refused. He was living in peace and hoping for prosperity when, for no reason except the insane ambition of his ruler, he was suddenly precipitated into war. The people of Italy never wanted to invade Albania; they never wanted to invade Greece; still less did they ever want to invade Egypt. There is plenty of room for the Italian colonists in the wide and empty places of Northern Africa. Therefore the Italian people feel that they're fighting for a bad cause—in fact, for no cause at all; that they have been misled by their Government; and they long only to get back to the peace they were enjoying before.

'Oliver Cromwell said that the best soldier was he who knew what he was fighting for, and loved what he knew. If, therefore, in this war the Italians are very far from being the best soldiers, it is because they do not know what they are fighting for, and they hate what they do not know. But all their weakness is insufficient to account for the completeness and the perfection of this victory. And all their weakness does not detract in any way from the glory of those to whom the credit is due. It is due to the military genius of General Wavell, and to the training and heroism of the brave troops he leads.'

The people of Great Britain and her allies know what they are fighting for, their countries and their freedom. They love the cause in which they have taken up the sword. It is the misfortune of the Italians that they are in precisely the opposite case.

ALONG THE HIGHWAYS

Mar. 18.—The Magnolias are often described as aristocrats amongst the hardy trees, there are very few that can compete with them: they are really beautiful. There are 19 species native to China, the most conspicuous being probably the one that is producing masses of pure white, lily-like, fragrant flowers at the present time. Not all people like the trees, however, the fragrance is said to be too strong, this may be true; but the tree never looks better than when planted against a background of evergreens and if they are kept away from the house, they are seen to the best advantage. If they are grown too close to windows, their delicious odour may be overpowering. The Yulan (*Magnolia denudata*) or, as it is sometimes called *M. Conspicua* has been cultivated for many centuries and it was used extensively for the embellishment of the garden of the Emperor of China. It figures often in Chinese poetry as a symbol of beauty and candour. The flowers are pure white in colour, and opening as they do on leafless branches so early in the year, they cannot help but attract our attention as we pass along the highways. *Magnolia liliflora* will shortly be displaying her beauty in our gardens: this species has a shrubby appearance and it produces an abundance of scentless flowers that are white only on the inside of the petals, the outside being purplish. A hybrid between the two is perhaps the most commonly grown Magnolia in England. This may be referred to as a tree as it is intermediate between its parents, it is known to science as *M. Soulangeana*. The flowers of this hybrid are not quite so purplish on the outside as the preceding species, they have a fragrance, or, to be more accurate, many of the flowers are scented; but the fragrance is not so strong as that of the Yulan. The Magnolias are also interesting in view of the fact that all species are natives of Asia and America and that most are found in the same latitude: this isolation indicates that the genus is of great antiquity.—W.J.K.

WOMEN AS WARRIORS

Greek Peasants Toil Beside Their Men

Greek peasant women have been toiling beside men to defend their country against Italian invaders. They have laboured to keep their armies' roads in repair and free of snow; they have clambered up mountain-sides with supplies and ammunition; they have even rolled boulders down on Italian soldiers in narrow passes. In so doing they have added to a long tradition of women active in war, states the new York "Times." In the war in China, women have often borne rifles in the trenches along with men. In the early days of the Spanish Civil War, women on the Loyalist side did the same.

In the World War, women participated in the fighting on many fronts. There are records of the military exploits of English, French, Russian, Serbian, Rumanian and Polish girls.

American women have a record of their own. Countless numbers of them joined in the fights against the Indians during colonial times. Almost every woman living on the frontier had to take up arms at one time or another.

The names of two gallant women—Molly Pitcher and Margaret Corbin—are linked with the War of Independence. Both accompanied their husbands in the war and both took charge of artillery batteries when their menfolk were killed in action.

Fought in American Civil War

Women fought on both sides in the War Between the States (Civil War), some of them disguised as men. Loreta J. Velasquez, a New Orleans girl of Cuban descent, entered the Confederate Army under the name Harry T. Buford and rose to be a lieutenant. Another Southerner, Rebecca Stevenson, organized a women's battalion to avenge the death of her fiancé and fought valiantly in the defence of Chattanooga.

The first known women warriors were the Amazons of Asia Minor, of whom the Greek historian Herodotus has left us a detailed account.

Records of the Middle Ages likewise abound in exploits of female warriors. Mohammed's favourite wife, Ayesha, was a redoubtable fighter, as was Tuta-Kina, the wife of the Mongol conqueror, Genghis Khan. During the second half of the eleventh century the armies of Pope Gregory VII and his successors were commanded by Countess Matilda of Tuscany, who fought repeatedly against German forces. The most famous of medieval women warriors, however, was Joan of Arc, the Maid of Orléans, who led the French armies against the English in the Hundred Years War.

In modern times France can boast the greatest number of women soldiers. At the outbreak of the French Revolution several women battalions were organized. They fought in the front lines against the Prussian, Austrian and German armies and many rose from the ranks by reason of gallantry. A few continued to serve under Napoleon during his campaigns.

WAR FUND BAROMETER

The Voluntary War Contribution Fund has been open for 259 days and there have been 5,957 contributors. The War Savings Association has been open for 265 days and there have been 1,093 contributors. The latest totals follow:—

Fund	*Amount* Ch. $	*Contributed* £ Sterling
Central British War Fund	11,187.00	54,285.15.11*
Vol. War Contribution Fund	14,099.85	122,682.17. 4§
War Savings Association	82,131.26.	41,219.15. 5‡

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IN PARENTHESIS

Candid Comments

A MAN never feels more as if life were a total failure than when he is being towed to a garage in a brand new car.

Trees are beautiful, but they wear the same styles every spring.

Some people are mighty poor listeners. That is because it interferes with what they want to tell you.

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"London Pride"

BY ERIC MASCHWITZ

The scene is London during a night attack. Two people caught in the blackout are surprised to see a taxi approaching and, when they hail it, the lady expresses her tribute to the driver's courage.

The following is his reply:

Brave? No, there's no need to flatter
It's the way it ought to be,
London's all that seems to matter
When you've lived there long as me.

When you're known each street and turning,
Circus, terrace, land and square,
London might be bombed and burning
But you'd feel you must be there.

London knows me—Artie Ransom,
Licensed first in "eighty-six."
Starting with a shiny hansom,
Ending with the box of tricks!

Fifty years we've been together,
Me and London 'n—What a pair!
Grumbling in the dirty weather
Glad when spring was in the air!

Lor', the times I've seen her sleeping
With the moonlight on her walls,
And the starlings quietly cheeping
In the shadow of St. Paul's!

Watched her wake (and me still driving),
Stars go out and street lamps die,
And the country carts arriving
Filled with flowers for swells to buy!

And the lovely smell of London!
What it is I can't explain. . .
Tar and frying fish and roses
And window boxes in the rain!

That's my London! Born and bred there,
I can't rightly leave her now.
Though the 'Uns are overhead there,
Never mind their blasted row!

Brave? Well, I'm no blinking hero.
Still, there's something deep inside
Says, "If she can take it, you can!
Come on, where's yer London Pride?"

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THE SPORTS PAGE

Ten-Event Race Programme In Fourth Extra Meeting

Slow Motion and Rye Likely to Clash Again in Lancashire Stakes; Rain Does Good Gallop

By "The Chaser"

THE sixth and seventh class ponies will be given ample scope this Saturday to earn their livery when the Shanghai Race Club holds the Fourth Extra Race Meeting of the season, as they have been well catered for with three races reserved especially for them. It is only natural of course that they are not placed in the middle portion of the programme in view of their "quality", but the ponies would no doubt feel peeved if they only knew that the novice riders have been given a feature billing in this week's card.

The Novices, generally in action in the earlier races, have had their race placed as the eighth, which is the time when the crowd is just about at its biggest. The two principal attractions, however, are the two open races, and although the longer one is really more important, the Lancashire Stakes, over three-quarters of a mile, will be the centre of interest as a closer and more thrilling result is anticipated in this race.

Crack Ponies Entered

There are a number of crackerjack sprinters and ace middle-distance ponies entered and among the more notable ones are Busted Straight, Frostylight, Joylight, Rye and Slow Motion. This is the same lot of ponies that provided us with an exciting finish last week when Slow Motion snatched a "head" verdict over Rye. A controversy arose after that race, One party maintained that Rye would have beaten Slow Motion if he had not been interfered with at the top of the straight while the other claimed that Slow Motion would have won in any case. This race should settle the argument and my personal opinion is that Rye will reverse the tables on Slow Motion but today is only Thursday, and I may change my mind by Saturday morning.

The Yorkshire Stakes, eighth race, is the longer of the two open races, and is over the distance of nine furlongs. Among those entered here that are conceded the best chances are Busted Straight (who might choose to start here in preference to the earlier race), Cluniehill, Columbus, Joylight and Rain.

The programme is well balanced with three races for third class ponies, and two races for "All-Comers". The latter event is really one race but which will be run in two sections. Starters in either section will not be known until the day of the race.

Training Gallops

Yesterday morning found the training track in splendid condition when the ponies came out for their usual mid-week gallops. The track was light which made the going easy. Gallops were consequently on the fast side although most were not let-out completely. Some of the fastest gallops of the morning were recorded by Mrs. Liddell's ponies, Rain, though finishing not too well in 34, cracked a really fast mile in 2.12.3. Although I do not like his present condition, his time must certainly not be ignored. But if I remember correctly, this game little grey has always been able to crack off useful training gallops. In his race last week which was over seven furlongs, he led until the last furlong, He appeared rather on the heavy side then but I think he should do a lot better after a week's excercise. Another fast gallop was registered by Magic Circle, ridden by Mrs. Liddell, who was sent over the champions' distance of a mile and a quarter. Some make the time 2.51 but my Johnny-on-the-spot tells me 2.50 is the correct one. But both agree on the last quarter of 34. He looks very well indeed.

Discrepancy in Reports

I also had conflicting reports on Don Blanco's gallop. Some say it was 2.13, last quarter 30.3, while others have got it down as 2.17. The discrepancy in this case is rather large I did not see the gallop but I have it from fairly reliable sources, that it was 2.13. If this is true he should be able to give the best ponies in the Yorkshire Stakes this Saturday a very close run.

Cherrylight and Joylight went out in company over a mile. The total time was 2.21. The most impressive part of their gallop was their fine style at the finish. They were clocked at 32 for the final quarter and both came home on a tight rein and looked as if they could knock-off at least a second of their time. Flyaway did a miserable gallop of 2.20, last quarter 36. This pony is difficult to fathom. Despite his poor gallop of last Wednesday he was able to place against such good company as Flying-light and Joylight. So, don't let this gallop mislead you!

A Likely Winner

Fairy Starling went well to do his mile in 2.22-3, finishing in attractive style in 31. Anything Goes turned in a useful gallop of 2.56.2 for a mile and a quarter. At one time this pony could only go a mile or so but last week he ran second in a mile and three quarter race. He was not hard pressed to come home in 32. Fiery Kingman, with C. Encarnacao in the saddle, made the Early Birds jot him down in their note-books as a likely winner when he completed a mile in 2.17.3. There is one thing, however, that worries them a bit and that was his last quarter of 34. On Dazara's gallop yesterday morning he should not encounter much difficulty in winning this Saturday. He did a mile in 2.19, last quarter 34 which, considering that he is a sixth class pony, is very good.

Canidrome Results

1—300 yd. flat.—1, L'ousta No: 2, Speedwing.
2 lengths.—Time, 18.19.
Win, $24.60. Forecast 5-4 Div. $101.40.
Place, 1st $16.50; 2nd $13.60.

2—300 yd. flat.—1, Joyous Colleen; 2, Lucky Jim.
Short head.—Time, 18.39.
Win, $11.50. Forecast 4-1 Div. $32.70.
Place, 1st $7; 2nd $14.20.
Double Event 1/3 5-4 Div. $36.80.

3—440 yd. flat.—1, Paddy Brown Eyes; 2
2 lengths.—Time, 25.86.
Win, $11.70. Forecast 4-1 Div. $40.70.
Place, 1st $7.80; 2nd $7.90.
Double Event 2/3 4-4 Div. $14.70.

4—440 yd. flat.—1, Crafty Velma; 2, False Lover.
5 lengths.—Time, 26.28.
Win, $8.60. Forecast 3-4 Div. $36.10.
Place, 1st $6.50; 2nd $10.80.
Double Event 3/4 4-3 Div. $9.60.

5—500 yd. flat.—1, Chez Madelon; 2, Frontier Guard.
½ length.—Time, 30.65.
Win, $30.80. Forecast 5-6 Div. $177.20.
Place, 1st $16.90; 2nd $17.50.
Double Event 4/5 3-5 Div. $14.20.

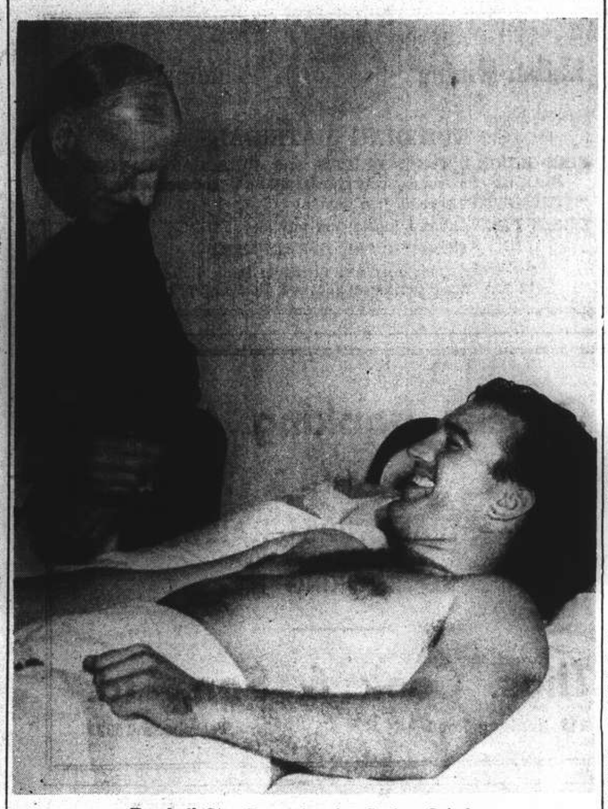
6—500 yd. flat.—1, Great Rascal; 2, Dover Camp.
4 lengths.—Time, 30.26.
Win, $26.30. Forecast 4-5 Div. $103.40.
Place, 1st $11.10; 2nd $12.40.
Double Event 5/6 5-4 Div. $28.20.

7—500 yd. flat.—1, Golden Annie; 2, Chihli Blue Fox.
4 lengths.—Time, 29.97.
Win, $11.60. Forecast 4-1 Div. $60.80.
Place, 1st $10.60; 2nd $12.90.
Double Event 6/7 4-4 Div. $29.70.

8—500 yd. flat.—1, Reno Beacon; 2, Miss Hummer.
2 lengths.—Time, 30.13.
Win, $9. Forecast 4-2 Div. $39.30.
Place, 1st $6.50; 2nd $11.50.
Double Event 7/8 4-4 Div. $16.20.

9—500 yd. flat.—1, Fresh Brew; 2, Cheerful Miss.
6 lengths.—Time, 29.94.
Win, $39. Forecast 5-2 Div. $335.10.
Place, 1st $19; 2nd $30.
Double Event 8/9 4-5 Div. $37.20.

10—500 yd. flat.—1, Scotch Bobbie; 2, Sance Maison.
½ length.—Time, 29.72.
Win, $16.40. Forecast 4-2 Div. $38.70.
Place, 1st $7.40; 2nd $8.20.
Double Event 9/10 5-2 Div $54.10.



Baseball Star Preparing for Spring Grind

Connie Mack, venerable skipper of the Philadelphia Athletics, is pictured talking to hurler "Chubby" Dean, as he cools off in bed after a hot mineral bath at Carlsbad, Cal., where a number of the club's pitchers and catchers are getting into shape for their spring training grind which starts soon at Anaheim, Cal.

Entire Tung Hwa Team Suspended

By unanimous decision all outstanding fixtures of the League and all matches to be held under this Association's auspices are cancelled for this season.

S.M.P. awarded their match against Tung Hwa in default

C. L. Chang (Unison) suspended indefinitely

Tung Hwa F.C. suspended indefinitely

Messrs:—P. K. Zing, E. Chong, N. Z. Lee, L. H. Han, S. T. Liang, C. B. Chang, C. H. Fei, Y. L. Chia, L. K. Tai, K. H. Huang and T. Van, all of Tung Hwa F. C. are suspended indefinitely

Roliz (SMP) cautioned

League decisions:—The following decisions have been reached re the League standings:—1st division winners—S.M.P. Reserve division winners—Tung Hwa. 2nd division winners—French Forces. 3rd division—incomplete no winners, division being considered as unfinished.

Transports Beat A.A.U. in Postponed Ten Pin Tilt

In a postponed game of the Softwood section of the Commercial Ten Pin League, Transports beat the A.A.U. by two games to one. The scores were as follows:—

A.A.U.		Transport	
Collins	323	Polin	497
Polis	359	Healey	197
Deatsch	256	Hubert	153
Brenner	429	Young	436
Lorenzen	447	Crow	488
Handicap	831	Karolitch	403
		Handicap	516
	2,644		2,690

American Major Baseball League Will Be Badly Hit By Service Act

Many Prominent Players, Including Hank Greenberg Are Expected to Be in Khaki Before All-Star Game

New York, Mar. 5.

Baseball executives are groping around in the dark these days, trying to figure just how hard the selective service act is going to hit the national pastime. A United Press survey reveals that the league presidents, club officials and players are all in the same boat—they don't know what to expect but are ready for any emergency.

It seems certain that major league baseball will lose more prominent players the coming season than anybody expected last fall. It seems fairly certain that Hank Greenberg, Morrie Arnovich, Zeke Bonura, Emerson Dickman and Harry Lavagetto all will be wearing khaki before the All-Star game rolls around. But this list isn't complete.

Both league presidents, Will Harridge of the American and Ford Frick of the National, have made a study of the situation and are frank to admit that they can't foresee just what the future is likely to bring.

Two Opposite View-points

"We asked our clubs to furnish us with whatever data they had that might be of help to us in arriving at some conclusion," Harridge said. "The information we received is of no value because a player's status today might be entirely different a month from now or by the time the season opens."

Some club officials are anxious for any single player who is likely to be drafted in mid-season to volunteer for the army now. Horace Stoneham, President of the Giants, takes the view that a player likely to be called during the season should volunteer immediately so that he can get in his year's stretch as soon as possible and not lose two complete baseball seasons. Stoneham suggested that Arnovich, whose number is slated to come up in June, follow this procedure.

Spike Briggs, Jr., Detroit official, however, feels that any player likely to be drafted should make his own decision about enlisting. Speaking about Greenberg, he said. "If Hank wants to volunteer, that's entirely up to him."

No "Squawk" Coming

Ed Barrow, President of the New York Yankees, expects the drafts to claim a higher toll than anyone expected. "We expect to lose at least one player and maybe more," he said.

W.G. Bramham, President of the National Association (The Minors), is of the opinion that the minor leaguers will suffer no great inconvenience. "Whatever loss we do suffer in this respect," Bramham said, "will be accepted without complaint."

Some players have taken the attitude that they will be the "fall guy" because of the kicking around the salaries will get. "A fellow's baseball career is only so long and if he has to spend a year in the service that's just so much out of our pockets," one prominent player said. "However, I don't think there are any players who won't do their bit freely."—United Press.

Shanghai Ladies Hockey Club Notice

Members of the Shanghai Ladies Hockey Club are requested to note that their last game for the Season will take place at the Kiaochow Park on Sat. March 22 at 2.45 p.m. and not at 3.30 p.m. as previously announced. The match is against the Erin Villa and the following is the Club line-up.

Emma Maolem; Esther Bloomfield, Pat Moore; Ann Arnold-Jones, Ann McKeith, Violet Hutton; Doris Barten, Cecile Getz, Stella Roberts, Iris Mottu, Mabel Bloomfield.

A stirring drama of a man's fight for power and political control and the grim consequences of that fight, is adsorbingly told in Orson Welles' initial screen vehicle, RKO Radio's "Citizen Kane."

Two Chinese Pairs Win in Mixed Doubles Badminton

Miss Sung and S. C. Hou Eliminate Mrs. Cox and Impey; Miss Wei and W. Funk Victorious

THE Mixed Doubles division of the Badminton Championships made marked headway last night when two matches of the series were played off. At the Country Club courts, the strong Chinese combination of Miss Sung Sing-ling and S. C. Hou eliminated Mrs. Cox and Impey in two straight sets to enter the second round of the competition. The Chinese started off in great style and had the losers completely at their mercy during the entire two sets.

Meanwhile, at the Cercle Sportif Francais courts, another Chinese couple, Miss Wei Wen Yen and William Funk, though extended in the first set, did not encounter much difficulty in defeating Mrs. Trolle and Arnvig, also in two straight sets.

Miss Sung and Hou will now meet Miss Vincent and Chaillan in the second round of the contest. The latter pair gained an easy passage into the second round when they were conceded a walk-over by Mrs. Richards and Saul who were scratched off from competition.

Miss Sung and Hou settled down very early to earn their points. The outstanding player on the court was undoubtedly Hou whose speed and deadly smashing proved to be too big an obstacle for the British pair to overcome. Miss Sung, playing a net game, had little to do but either kill or drop every shot that came within her reach. Though her play was not by any means brilliant, she was steady.

Hou's accurate smashes to the base line gave the losers a hectic time as the shuttle came across the net with such swiftness that it was well nigh impossible to return. The ability to smash well was not the only asset of Hou's play as his drop-shots were precise and often caught his opponents on the wrong foot.

William Funk and Miss Wei took some time to accustom themselves to the French Club courts and were not anywhere near their usual form during the earlier part of the first set. Mrs. Trolle and Arnvig took advantage of their erratic play to take the initiative and to hold a two or three-point lead until they reached 13. In a strong rally the Chinese couple tied the count at 13-all. The losers, being the first to reach 13 points, chose the longer route of playing 5 points, in preference to playing to 15. A bitter struggle ensued but the Chinese eventually won 18-15.

Having found their form in the latter part of the first set, Miss Wei and Funk took the next set in their stride. Funk's drop-shots, which were completely out of focus earlier, were a continual menace as they either drew their rivals out of place or were winners. Meanwhile, his smashes, which hit the net in the first set, were adjusted and had devastating effect on the losers. Principally through the medium of these two shots, the Chinese were able to emerge victorious in the second set by the comparatively one-sided count of 15-7.

The detailed results were:—

Miss Sung Sing Ling and S. C. Hou beat Mrs. Cox and Impey 15-6, 15-4

Miss Wei Wen Yen and William Funk beat Mrs. Trolle and Arnvig 18-15, 15-7.

Annual Meeting S.L.B.C. Held

Successful Season Last Year; New Cup Presented By Member of H.M. Forces

The Annual General Meeting of the Shanghai Lawn Bowls Club was held on March 14 when thirty members gathered at the premises of the Shanghai Engineers' Club to review the 1940 season and discuss plans for the forthcoming summer.

Mr. W. J. Monk, the President of the Club, in the course of his address, referred to the successful season of last year when Club representatives, though not ultimately victorious in the various open champions and competitions, gave an excellent account of themselves. It was also noted that several recruits showed promise of being fine bowlers when they advanced far in the Club competitions. One new player it was recalled went as far as the finals in the Singles Championship.

A very creditable performance was also turned in by the members in the league matches, especially in the first division. They were unfortunate in not having gained first place but did well to have annexed second and third positions.

Mr. Monk proposed, seconded by Mr. W. J. Ward, that Mr. F. Hornbrook be elected to Honorary Membership of the Club for services render to the Club. This resolution was carried with acclamation.

The President announced that a cup, for competition on conditions to be decided by the Committee, had been presented (through the Offices of Mr. T. Crosthwaite) by Major J. S. Thompson, a member of the H. M. Forces who had been a member during the 1939 season, in appreciation of the happy times he had had as a member of the Club.

Carson Wins in Squash Tourney

Despite the fact that he has been away and has consequently not had much practice, L. D. Carson showed that he had lost none of his touch when he eliminated S. Godkin on Tuesday from the Senior division of the Squash Racquets Championship in three straight sets, winning 9-0, 9-3, 9-5. With the completion of this fixture the stage is now set for the semi-finals which have to be played off by Tuesday, March 25.

By defeating Godkin, Carson has now earned the right to meet W. R. McCutcheon in one of the semi-finals. In the other bracket, David Green, the defending champion, will be playing E. B. Cumine. When these encounters have been completed, the final will then be held on a neutral court on Tuesday, April 1.

Bringing his crisp drives along the side wall into play right from the start, Carson gave his adversary little chance of forcing the pace of the contest and the first set was brought to a rapid conclusion at 9-0. The second set followed in a similar manner with Carson scoring winners off the best of Godkin's placements; this game ended slightly more favourably for Godkin, the score being 9-3.

Godkin was seen to better advantage in the third set in which he commanded his first lead in the entire match at 2-0. At this period, his soft drop shots were working well and Carson was caught out of position several times. But the latter soon tied the count at 5-5, after which he never looked back, running off four points in a row.

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5	5	6	177.20	14.20
6	4	5	103.40	28.20
7	4	1	80.80	29.70
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10	4	2	38.70	54.10
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Members of French Foreign Legion Return to Shanghai

"Packed Like Sardines" In Hold of Ship; Brutal Treatment Under German Officers Described

AFTER an arduous trip of six days direct to Shanghai from Indo-China during which, in the words of one of their number, they were "packed like sardines" in the hold of the ss. Laos of the Messageries Maritimes, 50 young legionnaires of the French Foreign Legion in the Far East were landed here yesterday "broke" and bereft even of the civilian clothes they had when they volunteered for service from China. Life in the Legion became unbearable, one of the men disclosed, when they were placed under the orders of German petty officers sent from French possessions in north Africa, who submitted them to a most degrading routine and compelled the men to do the most menial of work.

Of the 50 legionnaires who returned to China and who are mostly Shanghai and Tientsin boys who had joined up to fight the Nazis in the Far East for the duration of the war, the majority are Slavs, the rest being made up of German Jewish refugees, Greeks, and two Britons.

The contingent from China sent to Indo-China distinguished themselves during their eighteen months service with the Legionnaires, one of the men being the recipient of the Croix de Guerre for conspicuous gallantry in the field. He held a party of Siamese at bay in the recent Thailand fighting and obdurately refused to yield an inch of ground to the enemy.

Life Full of Action

Although the Shanghai contingent was discharged from the service almost without the proverbial penny, they found life in the Legion picturesque and more full of action than even they had anticipated. They participated in the fighting against the Japanese and more recently more than held their own in the brushes against the Siamese. Of long marches there were plenty and they covered as much as twenty to 30 miles a day on foot, carrying heavy loads, most of the long hikes being made at night.

"The Germans are our natural enemies as we originally intended to fight them", one of the men declared, adding that the German officers from whom they had to take orders found fault with everything they did, made them work in the kitchen peeling potatoes and submitted them to all forms of indignities. During seven months one of the men spent no less than four months' imprisonment owing to his refusal to bend to the will of the German officers.

No "Thank You"

He explained that the men were retained even after the collapse of France, although their agreement called for service only during the participation of France in the European war. "We continued to defend French interests in the Far East at 25 cents a day," the man stated, going on to say that upon their discharge they did not get as much as a "Thank You" from the colonel.

The 50 members of the contingent who landed here and are billeted in the French military barracks do not comprise the entire contingent that sailed for Indo-China from Shanghai and Tientsin. Many of the men who have been discharged have been unable to leave on account of fever.

"We were in the trenches for two months and it was raining all the time," the informant said, shrugging his shoulders and refusing to go on describing the career of the men while in the services of the Legion, explaining that this was nothing, but only a normal part of their life in the Foreign Legion, which fully lived up to the expectation of a rigorous and eventful existence.

German Officers

The speaker disclosed that 65 per cent. of the officers of the Legion in Indo-China today are composed of Germans who, he said, treat the subordinates with indescribable brutality resulting in several futile attempts to desert. The Germans, he said, were more interested in their personal comforts than in maintenance of discipline or order.

The men were discharged on March 12, dressed in military uniforms without the military buttons and their regimental numbers and were allowed to retain their berets. They were shipped off, the speaker said, without receiving any premium or gratuity for their long and arduous service and most of the men did not have enough money with which to buy even a packet of cigarettes or to pay for their hotel bill for one night after landing here.

Ships from Hankow Arrive Here

Vessels from Blockaded Yangtze Port Arrive; Others Held

While many third party steamers have been detained in Hankow for many months by the local authorities there, at least three steamers owned by Portuguese interests are now reported to have arrived in Shanghai from the treaty port in Hupeh having secured permission from the local authorities.

After securing permission from the military authorities in Hankow, the three vessels started their trip to Shanghai on March 14 and arrived at their destination on Tuesday afternoon. Since they had been anchored in Hankow for three years they need repair. The three cargo boats are anchored in Pootung and at the Whangpoo Wharf.

This is the first batch of third party steamers stranded in Hankow ever to arrive in this city during the past three years, it is said. It is hinted that the three steamers have been rented by a Japanese firm which condition might have helped them to regain freedom of navigation to Shanghai.

Steamers Held

It is stated by the Shing Sheng News Agency that since the Japanese have just enlarged the scope of their blockade activities along the China sea coast to the extent of refusing to allow steamers to obtain Customs papers for goods destined for Haikow and Tungshih, steamers detained by the Japanese along the coast may not be easily released contrary to a rumour.

Four freighters owned by foreign interests in Shanghai and detained by the Japanese off the Chekiang coast for more than 10 days, are rumoured to have been freed but the report asserts that shipping interests concerned have not yet obtained confirmation. It is generally believed that the Japanese will be more strict in supervising shipping in keeping with their blockade policy, the report asserts.

Workers Sentenced For Factory Riot

Suspended Terms Given Weaving Employees

Fifty-seven workers, many of whom are members of the Shanghai Weaving and Dyeing Workers Mutual Aid Society, were each sentenced to ten days' imprisonment yesterday in the First Special District Court in connection with the riot they staged in the Mei Feng Weaving and Dyeing Factory at 112 Penang Road on Tuesday. The sentences were suspended for two years.

The accused were charged with restricting the performance of legal rights by means of force. They were responsible for damage to the machinery of the dyeing factory amounting to about $1,000. While all weaving workers called a strike to demand an increase of wages, workers of the Penang Road establishment refused to join the movement, whereupon several hundred strikers went to the place trying to force them to strike.

When threats failed they began smashing everything that they could reach. The manager told the court that he had asked his workers to remain at work while workers of other factories were on strike. He promised to increase their wages and allowances according to whatever agreement was reached between the strikers and their management. His workers were willing to work pending the outcome of the strike, but the strikers would not allow them to remain at work, he said.

WEDDING

Elliot-Prince

The wedding took place yesterday afternoon at the Church of Christ the King of Mr. Gordon Bevan Elliot, of the Shanghai Power Co., and Miss Vera Margaret Prince, daughter of the late Mr. E. A. Prince and of Mrs. Agnes Prince of Shanghai. The Rev. J. K. Lipman, S.J., officiated.

The bride wore a dress of white crêpe made with a short train and diamanté embroidery at the neckline, and with it a quilted coatee of white lamé with short full sleeves. A short net veil fell from her Juliet cap and she carried a small bouquet of white carnations and lilies of the valley. Miss Margaret Kelly acted as bridesmaid and Mr. W. J. Gande was best man.

The bride's mother wore a dress of mustard rayon crêpe cut on princesse lines, with a brown straw hat and brown accessories.

After the ceremony a reception was held at 401 Route Frelupt, the residence of the bride's great-aunt, Mrs. W. A. White. The bride went away in a tailored dress of mustard yellow light wool over which she wore a mink coat, the present of the bridegroom. Her off-the-face hat was of brown felt and her accessories were brown.

Gandhi's Secretary Arrested Again

London, Mar. 19.

Mr. Gandhi's secretary, who was recently released from jail is, reported to have been arrested on Tuesday under the Defence of India rules.—Reuter.

Health Dept. Issue Report for February

Cases of Communicable Diseases Described

There was an increase in the number of cases of typhoid fever, measles and tuberculosis during February, while other diseases showed very little change and 109 deaths from typhoid against 75 of the previous month were reported, according to a report of the Commissioner of Public Health of the S.M.C. issued yesterday for the month of February.

The report stated that the incidence of communicable diseases for the month under review continued to be very low and of the seasonal ailments only measles reached epidemic figures, but the number of cases reported were comparatively small. In the absence of compulsory notification, however, the cases notified do not represent a true picture of the extent of infectious diseases in the Settlement, but a more or less constant fraction of the actual total.

Smallpox remained practically absent during the month, only five cases being reported among residents of the Settlement with one death which was considered as satisfactory for this time of the year.

During the month there were 145 foreign births and 1,291 Chinese and 65 deaths among the foreign community, of which eight were German Jewish refugees and 35 non-Chinese Asiatics. The death rate was 10.84 per mille and the major causes of death were pneumonia, diseases of the heart, tuberculosis and cancer.

While supplies of foodstuffs in the markets were not described as abundant, there was no real shortage of essential commodities during the month. It was also disclosed that the two beggar camps are now filled to capacity, housing a total of 2,564 men.

Day of Prayer On Sunday

Services to Be Held in Cathedral from 8 a.m. To 6 p.m.

Sunday, March 23, has been appointed by His Majesty The King as a Day of Prayer throughout the Empire. It will be observed in The Holy Trinity Cathedral, quite literally, as a Day of Prayer—from 8.00 o'clock in the morning until 6.00 o'clock at night when Evensong will be sung in the usual way.

One of the clergy of the Cathedral will be robed and on duty all day long. A number of Collects will be said every half hour and, in the interval between, appropriate organ music will be played, providing an atmosphere of worship. It is hoped that there will be worshippers in the Cathedral all day long.

The 10.30 a.m. service will be made the big service of the day. Mattins will be sung as usual up to the anthem, which will be Geoffrey Shaw's "Worship." Appropriate hymns and lessons will be chosen and the Dean will then deliver a call to prayer, after which the congregation will be invited to join in a special Litany of Intercession.

Shanghai will have the honour of commencing the day of prayer, which will be observed wherever Britons gather throughout the world. Since there is a difference of eight hours between London and Shanghai, the city literally will be beginning the day since the opening service at 8 o'clock coincides with the opening of the Day of Prayer at Home."

OBITUARY

Mr. Thomas Cock

Mr. Thos. Cock passed away on Monday, March 17, after a long illness at his home in Shanghai, where he had been confined for many years.

Deceased was, before his retirement, manager and partner of Geddes & Co. Ltd., now the Geddes Trading & Dairy Farm Co, Ltd., and was associated with this business for close on 50 years. He joined the firm as far back as 1894, when it was known as Greaves & Co., Ltd.

Mr. Cock had retired from active life in Shanghai since 1925. After living several years in England, he returned to Shanghai on a visit and was taken ill.

Like many other business men, he made his work his chief interest in life, and he acquired a wide experience of business under local conditions. Nevertheless, he was always keen on sports, and when in good health, enjoyed all the recreation which his work permitted. In his younger days, he was a member of the S.V.C. Field Artillery, when gunnery practice was held at the Point, and was mobilized with his colleagues during the Boxer Uprising in 1900.

At the time of his death, Mr. Cock was aged 69, and he is survived by his wife, a son and three daughters.

Claude Sinclair Taylor

The Shanghai Power Company regrets to announce the receipt of cabled advice that Claude Sinclair Taylor died suddenly on Sunday last, March 16, at the age of 55 years.

After completing his early technical training, he went to the Watford District Council Electric Light and Power undertaking as engineer in charge of the generating station, eventually holding the position of mains superintendent.

Early in 1910, he was offered and accepted the position of Chief Assistant Engineer with the Hendon Electric Supply Company. The next step was in November, 1911, when he accepted the appointment of Deputy Engineer and Manager to the Hankow Light and Power Company.

In March, 1913, Mr. Taylor took up an appointment with the Shanghai Municipal Electricity Department as Sub-station Engineer and rapidly advanced in the service in a succession of upward steps.

At the time of the sale of the undertaking to Shanghai Power Company in August, 1929, he occupied the position of Deputy Engineer-in-Chief and Manager to the late T.H.U. Aldridge, upon whose retirement shortly afterwards Mr. Taylor became Vice-President and General Manager of the company, from which position he retired in January, 1933. He returned to England and became the company's representative, which enabled him to retain a very active interest in the affairs of the company and Shanghai generally after his twenty years' association here.

In all his work he was thorough and punctilious to a degree, but whether the weather was stormy or fine he never lost that quickness in repartee and sense of humour which seems to be a characteristic of the Londoner.

Many old timers will remember his pioneer efforts in introducing radio broadcasting in Shanghai.

He leaves a host of friends here, where his reputation for straight and honourable dealing endeared him to his associates. His open-house and hospitality are well remembered by his many friends.

The Taylors sustained a heavy bereavement about a year ago when their younger son, who was in the Royal Air Force, was killed in a flying accident.

The deepest sympathy of the Shanghai community will be extended to Mrs. Taylor and to the surviving son, who is serving in the British army. The loss of her husband and her younger son within a year is a severe break in a family which was particularly close in its relationship.

Up to the time of his death, Claude Taylor had done valuable air raid precautions work as Chief Air Raid Warden of his district.

British Break Record In Plane Production

London, Mar. 19.

More aircraft, both bombers and fighters, were produced in Britain during the short month of February than in any previous month during the war, it was announced in the House of Commons on Tuesday by Col. J. J. Llewellin, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Aircraft Production.—Reuter.

FUNERAL

Mr. T. D. Davy

In the presence of a large gathering of friends the remains of the late Mr. T. D. Davy, printing manager of the "North-China Daily News and Herald", Ltd., who died suddenly on Sunday morning, were laid to rest in Hungjao Road Cemetery yesterday afternoon. The chief mourner was Mrs. T. D. Gram. The service in the Chapel, also that at the graveside was conducted by the Very Rev. A. C. S. Trivett of the Cathedral. The pallbearers were Messrs. Gordon Morriss, R. W. Davis, A Haslam, W. J. Mockett, T. D. Gram and W. F. Rankin. Among those sending floral tributes were:—

His son "Chips," Mr. Gordon Morriss, Mr. R. W. Davis, Ena, Mildred and Sonny, Primrose and Tommy, Herbert and Dorothy Ellis, Finance Department Shanghai Municipal Council, Mr. R. T. Peyton-Griffin, Members of the Editorial Staff "North-China Daily News," the Shanghai Staff of Linotype and Machinery Ltd., the "Shanghai Times," Mr. and Mrs. W. Fraser-Rankin and Alastair, Brune and Marinella, Worshipful Master, Officers and Brethren of Royal Sussex Lodge, No. 501 E. C., John C. Wilson, J. S. Hay, A. Haslam, S. H. Young, Mr. H. E. Giesch, Mrs. K. Giesch, R. Viccajee, Nee Bung-loong, E. Kobayashi, Chang Sze-long, K. F. Yang, Ling Ding-king, Genson Chang, Chang Hain-goh, A.B.C Press, S.A., Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Haenggi and Maria.

Messrs. Thomas MacDonald & Co, were in charge of the funeral arrangements.

Land Taxes to Be Paid in Kind

Chungking, Mar. 19.

Land tax payments will henceforth be accepted in kind instead of cash, according to a decision at yesterday's meeting of the Executive Yuan.—Reuter.

Thailand Grateful To Japan

Tokyo Peace Terms Hailed In Bangkok; Prestige Said Restored to Siam

Bangkok, Mar. 19.

Official comments here today unanimously hail the peace terms reached at Tokyo as a success for Thailand, and emphasize Thailand's gratitude to Japan, though a section of the press hints that Thailand expected something better.

The Premier, Luang Pibula Songgram, appealing to the public to celebrate the "successful conclusion" of the Tokyo conference, says Japan untiringly executed her task with efficiency, thoroughness, and strict maintenance of justice for the sake of peace in this part of the world.

"When someone does us a good turn," he adds, "we forever appreciate and cherish it in our memory."

A Foreign Ministry communique declares that Japanese mediation has brought Thailand a square deal.

The Bangkok "Chronicle," a Thai-owned daily in English, says though it may be felt that the territorial gains were slightly below expectations, this is an occasion for national rejoicing.

The vernacular "Prajamit" declares that France has ceded only a small portion of the territory lost to her by Thailand, "but we are thankful to Japan for her mediation."

The "Supab Barus" declares that Thailand's prestige has been restored in the eyes of European nations, while the "Thai Mai" asserts that the treaty is satisfactory, and that Japan is the most powerful nation in the east and can protect all other eastern nations against aggression. "She is always our best friend," it adds.

The Premier visited the Japanese Minister, Mr. Futima, yesterday afternoon and thanked Japan. This is the first time that the Premier has called on the Japanese Minister since assuming office over two years ago.—Reuter.

U.S. Effort to Better Relations With Japan

Berlin Sees Attempt to Wean Japan Away

London, Mar. 19.

Political circles in Berlin profess to see indications in the American press that the United States Government would be willing to resume normal relations with Japan if she would consent to withdraw from the tripartite Pact, according to reports reaching London.

Berlin interprets the American attitude as indicating a desire to isolate Japan in order to watch her more closely.

The "Voelkischer Beobachter" states that Japan will not be turned away from her mission until she has established a new order in Asia, and will remain faithful to the Axis pact.—Reuter.

Japan's Problems Hinge On China War

End of Fighting Will Settle All Issues—Hata

Stressing that the great issues facing Japan today including the southern question hinge on the China Conflict, General Shunroku Hata, Commander-in-Chief of the Japanese Expeditionary Forces to China, in a press interview on Tuesday, declared that a settlement of the China Conflict will automatically bring about a settlement of Japan's outstanding problems.

According to yesterday morning's edition of the "Tairiku," General Hata declared that the Japanese forces have only two major policies, namely, to aid the National Government to maintain its healthy development, and to carry out strategic operations to a successful conclusion.

Hoarders to Be Beaten By New Imports

Influx of Imports of Commodities Likely

It is predicted by the "Sin Wan Pao" that the last days of hoarders in Shanghai will come very soon, as various commodities ordered in very large quantities will be imported to Shanghai in the near future. When the goods arrive in Shanghai, the hoarders will no longer be able to manipulate in the market, as the principle of increased prices owing to scarcity will not apply.

Quoting authoritative export and import circles, the report says that all important firms in both foreign areas, such as bus and electricity companies, have placed large orders for various kinds of fuel from foreign countries. The quantities of goods they have ordered are bigger than ever before, and they have done so at the suggestion of the authorities.

Import firms are said to have done the same thing in respect to rice, piece goods and other goods, and the report predicts that very soon goods thus ordered will pour into this city to cope with a possible emergency situation arising from shortage of important commodities.

Talk on Indo-China At R.A.S. Slated

At 5.30 p.m. today the Rev. W. H. Hudspeth will present a lecture entitled "Indo-China" under the joint auspices of the Royal Asiatic Society (N.C.B.) and the International Institute of China in the Auditorium of the Royal Asiatic Society at 20, Museum Road.

Mr. Hudspeth will include in his lecture French Indo-China, which comprises Tonkin, Annam, Laos, Cochin-China and Cambodia. He will use maps to illustrate his lecture. He will give a brief history of each of these countries, which he visited recently. He can thus offer first-hand information regarding the present situation there. Special reference will be made to the anthropological characteristics of the natives of Indo-China. Of these the Annamites and Tonkinese are familiar to residents of the French Concession as they help constitute the Police Force there. The meeting is open to the public.

General Murai Returns From China Fronts

Shimonoseki, Mar. 19.

Lieut.-Gen. Toshio Murai, who distinguished himself in Shansi and other North China battlefronts, arrived here last night aboard the Shimonoseki-Fuzan liner Kongo Maru. It was understood that Gen. Murai has been appointed to a new post in Japan.—Domei.

Indian Districts Warned Against Air Attacks

Dibrugarh, Mar. 19.

The Deputy Commissioner for the Lakhimpur District has warned the people of Digboi and Tinsukia to be ready for possible air attacks.—Reuter.

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Vice Establishments Must Be Stamped Out

It is now learned that Mayor Chen Kung-po of the Greater Shanghai Municipal Government has ordered Mr. Pan Ta, Commissioner of the new joint police bureau in the western district, to stamp out all establishments, including gambling and opium dens in the district, in keeping with the terms of the agreement signed between Mayor Chen and Settlement authorities for opening the new joint police bureau. Closed establishments will not be allowed to revive activities, while those still doing business must be closed. Meanwhile, advertisements of gambling houses in Nantao and in the western district made their usual appearance in several Chinese dailies here yesterday.

Indian Princes Eager to Give Best Efforts

New Delhi, Mar. 19.

The Chamber of Princes yesterday recorded its heartiest gratification at the victories in Albania and Africa, and pride in the magnificent part played by Indian troops. The Princes stressed their determination to continue their best efforts for victory.—Reuter.

Konoye Entertains Delegations

Tokyo, Mar. 19.

Premier Prince Fumimaro Konoye was host today at a luncheon for the French, Thailand and Japanese delegations to the Tokyo mediation conference for settlement of the Thai-French Indo-China border dispute.—Domei.

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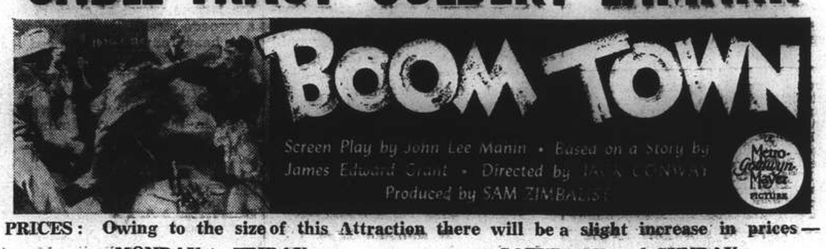
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Sterling Selling Rate @ 6d per H.H.$ 1
U.S.$ Selling „ @ 9 3/8 „ H.H $100
Local $ (Fapi) selling @ 130 per H.H.$100

CUSTOMS OFFICIAL RATES FOR DUTY PAYMENTS

Gold Unit 1.00—Hua Hsing $2.794
Gold Unit 1.00—CRBS or Local $ $5.113

Local Exchange Report

Messrs. Drakeford, Davis & Wilson

INTER BANK CASH DELIVERY

£ Highest 3 21/32 Lowest 3 5/8
U.S. $ 5 1/16 5 1/8

MERCHANT CLOSING RATES

SELLING		BUYING
March		Mar./Apr.
£ T.T.	3 5/8	4 m/s. l.c. 3 7/8
U.S.$ T.T.	5 3/8	4 m/s. l.c. 5 1/2
Rs. T.T.	18 3/8	15 d/s. 18 7/8

BAR SILVER

	READY	FOR'D
London pence per std. oz.	23 1/2	23 7/16
N.Y. cents per oz. troy	34 3/4	—
Bombay Rs. per 100 tolas	62.13	—

Bombay offtake 50 bars.

U.S. $/£ CROSS RATE CASH QUOTATIONS

New York closing rate for Mar. 18	4.03 1/2
Local Sellers of U.S.$ against £ at the close	3.92 1/4
Local Buyers of U.S.$ against £ at the close	3.92 3/4

The local market opened with sellers at 3 7/16d sterling and 5 1/16 U.S.$. Shortly after the opening there was a steadier feeling on small speculative selling, and 3 3/32d sterling became a seller. Later buyers came out and the market showed an easier tendency, but closed steadily quiet at:—

3.5/16 Sterling 5.13/32 U.S.$. Cash/Apr.

Foreign Exchanges

Closing, Mar. 18.

Bombay T. T. on:

Japan	81 1/4 N.	London	1/5 1/32
N. Y.	332 3/4-333 1/4	3 mths	
Shanghai	193 1/4	„ sellers	1/5 1/32
Hongkong	84 1/4	„ buyers	1/6 1/32
		Japan 2 mths	
		„ sellers	82 3/4 N.
		„ buyers	77 N.

London £ Sterling T. T. on:

New York	402.50	Bombay	1/6 1/16
Madrid	40.00	Hongkong	1/3 1/32
Berne	17.30	Singapore	2/4 5/8
Bel. Congo	176 1/2	Yokohama	1/2 1/2
Shanghai	3 1/16d.	„ buying	1/2

New York U.S.$. T. T. on:

Berlin	40.05	Japan	23.45/48*
Spain	9.25 N.	Shanghai	5.53
Paris	2.53	Hongkong	24.50
Italy	5.05 N.	Hungary	19.85
S'zerland	23.22	Yugo Slavia	2.30
„ "free"	23.25	Greece	0.68 N.
Sweden	23.84	Finland	2.05
Montreal	84.875	Manila	49.40 N.
Brazil	5.05		
London			4.03 1/2
Buenos Aires Paper			29.78
„ „ „ market rate			23.15
Montreal on London			4.75 3/4

N—Nom. *—Offered. †—Unofficial.—Reuter.

Foreign Money Rates

London:		Mar. 18.
Fine Bank Bills,	3 months	1 1/16%
Bank Bills,	6 months	1 1/16%
Fine Trade Bills,	3 months	2 3/4%
Fine Trade Bills,	6 months	3 1/4%
Call money		0 3/8%
New York:		
Bankers' Acceptances for 1, 2 and 3 months		0 1/2%B 0 7/16%A
Bankers' Acceptances for 4 months		0 5/8%B 0 9/16%A
Call money		1%

B—Bid A—Asked.—Reuter.

Manila Gold Shares

(Bids in Pesos)

Mar. 19

	Bid Prices a.m. Closing	p.m. Closing
Atoks	.24 S	.24 S
Antamok	.05 X	.05 X
Baguio Gold	.14 X	.14 S
Batong Buhay	.0075X	.0075X
Big Wedge	.24	.24
Coco Grove	.0625X	.0625X
Consolidated Mines	.0019 S	.0019 S
Demonstration	.05 X	.05 X
East Mindanao	.0675 S	.0675 S
I. X. L.	.235 S	.235 S
Ipo Gold	.05 X	.05 X
Itogen	.1475X	.1475X
Mambulao Consolidated	.01 X	.01 X
Masbate Consolidated	.0925	.0925
Mine Operations	.055 X	.055 X
Paracale Gumaus	.255	.255
San Mauricio	.30 X	.30 X
Surigao Consolidated	.205	.205
Suyoc	.09 X	.09 X
United Paracale	.1425	.1425
Mindanao Motherlode	.1225 S	.1225 S
Manila Hai-Alai	8.00 S	9.00 S
Benguet Consolidated (over the counter)	4.50 S	—

S—Sales. X—Sellers.—Reuter.

Gold Imports Large

Washington, Mar. 19.

Gold imports for the week ended March 12, totalled US$78,705,980, of which Canada sent US$77,839,804, the Treasury Department said yesterday. —United Press.

Silver Quotations

	Mar. 18	Mar. 19
London spot	23 1/2d.	23 1/2d.
„ forward	23 7/8d.	23 1/2d.
„ gold	168/-	168/-

—Reuter.

Shanghai Stocks

Yesterday's Business

The market was steady at the opening yesterday but subsequently eased due to a heavily overbought position, with the result that trading became dull. Rubbers were quietly steady.

Official Averages

High	Low		Today's Average	Change
562.56	105.32	General	279.74	+3.13
485.40	95.55	Rubbers	302.83	—5.79

Total 230,380 shares.

Morning Session

18/3/41

Ewo Mills (Ord)				100	44.50
S. W. W. "A" £20				10	805.00
Yangtsze Finance				1000	17.50
500	17.40	1500	17.60		
S'hai Loan		500	21.25	500	20.75
500	21.25	3000	21.00		
I. I. Trust		4000	26.00	500	*25.75
1000	*26.25	500	26.00		
S'hai Securities		2000	*6.10	1000	6.10
1000	6.05	1500	6.00	1500	6.05
China Realty		1000	9.30	2500	9.25
2000	*9.30	1000	9.30		
S'hai Land		500	*12.10	3000	12.20
Dockyards		400	30.25	200	30.00
500	*29.75	6200	29.75	3100	29.50
300	*29.50	1400	29.75	400	*29.75
Ewo Brewery		4000	*7.80	1500	7.70
2000	*7.75	1500	7.75	1500	7.70
500	*7.70				
Wheelock		400	103.00	100	*102.50
400	102.50	600	102.00	1200	*101.50
1400	*102.00	800	102.00	1100	102.50
100	*102.50	400	*103.00	1700	103.00
Int. Assurance				1400	*22.50
Ewo Mills (Ord)		200	45.00	800	44.75
2600	44.50	300	*44.50	2600	44.75
1600	*45.00	1300	45.00	700	*44.75
3500	45.00	400	*45.00	500	44.75
6900	45.25	100	*45.50	100	45.50
3200	45.25	200	*45.25	1500	45.00
300	*45.25				
S'hai Cotton				200	*200.00
Textile (X.D.)		1500	*8.15	500	8.10
500	*8.05	500	8.05		
Worsted		1000	5.75	3500	5.70
2000	*5.70	2500	*5.75	500	5.70
Tram (Bearer)		£1		300	*45.00
1000	44.50	300	*43.75	900	43.75
100	44.00				
C. G. Omnibus		1100	17.40	100	17.50
500	17.30				
Telephone		500	35.25	100	*35.25
1100	35.50				
S'hai Gas (Old)				100	16.40
Paper		500	5.25	500	*5.25
10000	5.20	10000	5.20	1000	5.25
Lumber		100	53.00	400	*53.00
200	52.50	400	*52.50	600	53.00
Metal		3400	27.50	2300	27.25
100	*27.75	700	27.50	100	27.25
Kaiping		400	49.50	100	49.00
Exploration		1000	28.25	7000	28.00
3000	27.75	2300	*28.00	10000	28.25
22500	*28.25	4000	*28.50	1000	*28.25
1000	28.25	4000	28.00		
Power (Pref)				100	129.50
Anglo Dutch		200	*21.00	600	21.00
700	20.75				
Anglo Java		200	41.50	100	41.75
1400	42.00	100	42.25		
Batu Anam		1000	1.58	1000	1.56
Consolidated				500	7.40
Java Consolidated				1000	4.30
Kroewoek		2000	2.90	1000	*2.95
Langkat		1500	29.00	1000	29.25
100	*29.00				
Repah				1000	1.34
Rubber Trust				1000	10.40
Samagaga				1000	1.90
Senawang				2000	1.68
Pahang				2000	6.85
Tanah Merah				1000	3.15
Tebong				1000	*1.50
Ziangbe		100	25.25	100	25.00
200	25.50				

ODD LOTS

Exploration	200	27.50	200	*27.75
100	28.00	150	28.50	
Consolidated			200	7.45
I. I. Trust			100	26.50
S'hai Land			200	12.30
Worsted			125	5.75
Ewo Mills (Ord)			75	45.00
Lumber			20	52.00
Wheelock			50	*101.50

*—Direct Business.
†—Outport Business.

London Stocks

Tuesday's Closing Quotations

London, Mar. 18.

Another satisfactory day was witnessed on the London Stock Exchange. British gilt-edged securities were hesitant but, elsewhere, conditions generally were firm.

Kaffirs advanced on Cape and local buying and home rails on further anticipatory buying in connection with next week's Indian stock redemption payments.

Among industrials, Courtaulds and Dunlops were especially higher; oils met with more interest; and, coppers also improved.—Reuter.

	Mar. 17	18
U.K. LOANS		
3 1/2% War Loan (Red.)	£104 1/32	104 3/32
3% Defence Loan	101 1/16	101 3/16
CHINESE LOANS		
4 1/2% Gold Loan, 1898	42	42
4 1/2% Anglo-French Loan	40—44	40—44
5% Crisp Loan, 1912	24	24
5% Reorg Loan, 1913	31	31
8% Stg. Notes, 1925	8—10	8—10
5% Honan Rly., 1905	14	14
5% Hukuang Rly., 1911	14	14
5% „ „ „ (Ger. Is.)	12	12
5% Lung Tsing U. H. Rly.	12	12
5% S'hai-Nanking Rly.	14	14
5% T'sin-Pukow Rly. B.	12	12
5% „ „ G.	12	12
5% „ „ (Supl. Loan) B.	12	12
5% „ „ (Supl. Loan) G.	12	12
5% Canton-Kowloon Rly.	11	11
5% Chinese Imp. Rly.	47	47
JAPANESE BONDS		
5% Sterling Loan, 1907	22	21 1/4
6% Sterling Loan, 1924	25	24 3/4
BANKS AND INSURANCE		
Chartd. Bank of I.A. & C.	8 3/4	8 5/8
H. & S. Bank (Ldn. Reg.)	75	75
„ „ „ (Col. Reg.)	77 N	77 N
Mercantile Bank of India	10 1/2†	10 1/2
National Bank of India	31 3/4	31 3/4
Un. Ins. Soc. of Canton	24	23
COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIALS		
Bristol Aeroplane	10/1 1/2	10/1 1/2
B'tish American Tobacco	86/3	86/3
Dunlop Rubber	31/9	32/9
Imp. Chem. Industries	29/1 1/2	29/4 1/2
United Steel	20/6	20/6
Woolworths	48/-	48/-
MINES		
Chinese Eng. & Min.	17/-	17/-
Chosen Corp.	4/-	4/-
Marsman Investments	6/6	6/6
Pekin-Syndicate	1/6	1/6
Sub-Nigel	142/6	142/6
Western Holdings	10/-	10/-
MISCELLANEOUS		
Great Western Rly.	32 3/4	33 1/4
Gula Kalumpong Rubber	15/9	15/9
London, Midland & Scot.	12 3/8	12 3/8
S'hai Elec. Construction	12/6	12/6
S'hai Waterworks "A"	11 1/2	11 1/2
Shell Transport & Trad.	41/10 1/2	41/10 1/2

†—Ex dividend.

Culty Daily Dividend

At a meeting of the directors of the Culty Dairy Co., Ltd., held on March 18, it was decided to recommend to shareholders that the year's profit of $180,677.10 plus the carry forward of $39,220.36 from last year be allocated as follows at the forthcoming annual general meeting:—

To pay a dividend of $2.50 per share	$100,000.00
Donate to Voluntary War Contribution Fund	10,000.00
Carry forward	109,897.46
	$219,897.46

New York Stocks

Tuesday's Closing Quotations

New York, Mar, 18.

Stock prices in a brighter session on Wall Street today finished fractionally higher on balance.

Although Balkan uncertainties kept operators to the sidelines, shipbuildings, metals and oils were supported, which imparted a generally better tone to the rest of the list.

The turnover amounted to 410,000 shares.—Reuter.

Dow-Jones Averages

	High	Low	Close	Changes
30 Indust.	124.10	123.02	123.92	+0.46
20 Rails	28.14	27.91	28.08	+0.01
15 Utilit.	19.79	19.60	19.65	—0.05
40 Bonds	——	——	91.12	+0.10
11 Commod.	——	——	61.86	+0.72

	Mar. 17	18		Mar. 17	18
Adams Exp	5 1/2	5 5/8	Libbey O F	34 1/2	35
Alg Lud	22 1/2	22	Lockheed	24 1/2	24 1/2
Allis Chal	28 1/2	29 1/2	Loew's	†32 1/2	32 1/2
Alum Ltd	*73 1/2	*73 1/2	Lorl Inc	18 1/2	18 1/4
Amer Can	85 1/4	86 1/2	Mack Trks	28 1/2	28 1/2
Am Cyan B	33 1/2	33	Martin	29	29 1/2
Am For Pr	0 1/8	*0 1/8	McK & R	*25 1/2	25 1/2
„ $7 pfd	17 1/8	16 1/8	Mont Ward	37 1/2	†37 1/2
Am Loco	*13 1/2	13 1/2	Mountain	3 1/2	3 1/2
Am Metal	*18 1/2	18 1/2	Nat Avian	*9 1/2	*9 1/2
Am Radtr	6 1/2	6 1/2	Nat City B	*27 1/2	*27 1/2
Am R Mil	14	14	Nat Dairy	13 1/8	13 1/8
Am Smelt	40 1/2	40 1/2	Nat Dist	21 1/8	21 1/4
Am Sug	18	18 1/2	Nat Lead	*16 1/2	16 1/2
Am T & T	161 1/2	162	Nat P & L	6 1/8	6 1/8
Am Tob B	68 1/2	68 1/2	Nat Sup	5 1/2	5 1/2
Am Wtwrks	5 1/8	5 1/8	N Y Cent	12 1/2	12 1/2
Anaconda	24 1/8	24 1/2	Niag Hud	2 1/2	2 1/2
Atchison	24	24 1/2	N A Avian	14 1/2	15 1/2
Avian Cpn	3 1/2	3 1/2	N Am Co	15 1/2	15 1/2
Bald Loco	15 1/2	15 1/2	N Pacific	6	6 1/2
Balt & O	3 1/2	3 1/2	O I Glass	44 1/2	44 1/2
Barber	*9 1/2	9	Pac G & E	27 1/2	27
Barns Oil	8 1/8	8 1/4	Packard	2 1/8	2 1/8
Bendix	35 1/2	35 1/2	Pan A Air	13	12 1/2
Beth Steel	80	80 1/2	Paramount	11 1/2	11 1/8
Bliss	*16 1/2	16 1/2	Penn R R	23 1/2	23 1/4
Boeing	16 1/8	16 1/8	Phill Pet	38 1/2	38 1/2
Borg War	†18	17 1/2	P S of N J	25 1/2	25 1/2
Briggs	†22	*21 1/2	Pullman	24	24
Budd Mfg	4 1/2	4	Pure Oil	7 1/8	7 1/8
Can Pac	*3 1/2	3 1/2	Radio	4 1/2	4 1/2
Case J I	50 1/2	49	Reading	14 1/2	14 1/2
Celanese	23 1/2	23 1/2	Rem Arms	*5	*5
Chase N B	*31 1/2	*32 1/2	Rep Avian	4 1/2	4 1/2
Ches & O	39 1/2	39 1/2	Rep Steel	19 1/2	19 1/2
Chrysler	67 1/2	66 1/2	Rev C & B	10	10
Col G & E	4 1/2	4	Rey Tob B	31	31
Col Credit	30	29 1/2	Safeway	†39 1/2	*38 1/2
Com & Sth	0 1/2	0 1/2	Schenley	9 1/2	9 1/2
Cons Edis	21 1/8	21 1/8	Sears Roeb	73	73 1/2
Cons Oil	5 1/2	5 5/8	Shell U Oil	12 1/2	11 1/2
Cont Can	37 1/2	37	Soc Vac	8 1/2	8 1/2
Cont Oil	18 1/8	18 1/8	Sthrn Pac	9 1/2	9 1/2
Copld St	*14 1/2	14 1/2	Sthrn Rly	22	22 1/2
Curtis Wr	9 1/2	9 1/2	Spicer	*33 1/2	*33 1/2
„ A	26 1/2	26 1/2	Std Brands	6 1/2	6 1/2
Deere	20 1/2	20 1/2	Std G & E	1	1
Dist Cpn	16 1/2	*16 1/2	Std Oil C	19 1/2	19 1/2
Douglas	74 1/2	74 1/2	Std Oil N J	35 1/2	35 1/8
Du Pont	146	146 1/2	Stone & W	7	6 7/8
E P Lead	9 1/2	9 1/2	Studebaker	6 1/2	6 1/2
Eaton Mfg	33 1/2	33 1/2	Swift Int	18	18 1/2
E A Lite	30 1/2	31	Technicor	*8 1/2	8 1/2
Elec B & S	3 1/2	3 1/2	Texas	35 1/2	35 1/2
„ $5 pfd	55 1/2	55 1/2	Tex Gulf	35 1/2	35 1/2
„ $6 pfd	64	64 1/2	Timken	31 1/2	31 1/2
Elec P & L	34 1/2	33 1/2	Transamer	4 1/2	4 1/2
Elintkote	13 1/2	13 1/2	Tw Cent	6 1/2	6
Gen Am Tr	51 1/2	51 1/2	Un B & P	11 1/2	11 1/2
Gen Elec	33 1/2	33 1/2	Un Car	67 1/2	67 1/2
Gen Motor	43 1/2	43 1/2	Un Pac	78	78 1/2
Gen Rly	*13	14	Un Air	39 1/2	39
Gen T & R	*11 1/2	12 1/2	Un A Line	14 1/2	13 1/2
Glidden	13 1/2	13 1/2	Un Cpn	1 1/2	1 1/2
Goodrich	13 1/2	13 1/2	„ $3 pfd	25 1/2	25 1/2
„ $5 pfd	*62 1/2	63 1/2	Un Gas	0 1/2	0 1/2
Goodyear	18 1/2	18 1/2	Un G Imp	8 1/2	8 1/2
Gt N I Ore	14 1/2	14 1/2	U S Ind	25 1/2	25
Gt N Rly	25 1/2	25 1/2	U S Rub	22 1/2	23 1/8
Gt W Sug	25 1/2	25 1/2	„ 8% pfd	91 1/2	92
Grey Cpn	11 1/2	11 1/2	U S Smelt	56 1/2	*57 1/2
Her Pow	*70 1/2	71	U S Steel	57 1/2	58 1/8
Homestake	46 1/2	47 1/2	Vanadium	28	27 7/8
Int Nickel	26 1/2	26 1/2	Vultee	6 1/2	*6 1/2
Int Paper	13 1/2	14 1/2	Walworth	5	4 7/8
Int T & T	2 1/2	*2 1/2	War Br Pic	3	3
Johns Man	60 1/2	61	West Elec	96	96
Kennecott	33 1/2	34 1/2	Woodward	28	28

BONDS

Amer. & For. Power	56 1/2	56
Australia Com.	60	59 1/2
Balt. & Ohio "A"	44 1/2	44 3/8
Brazil (U.S. of)	19 1/2	19
„ „ 6 1/2%	16 1/2	16 1/2
Cities Serv. Pwr. & Lt	94 1/2	94 1/2
Erie	19 1/2	20
Int. Tel. & Tel.	46 1/2	46 1/2
New England Gas & Elec.	66	65
Sthrn. Pacific Co.	47 1/2	47 1/2
Stand. Gas & Elec.	83	82 1/2

WEEKLY CLOSING STOCK

	Mar. 11	18
Air Associates	12	*11
Alaska Juneau	42	*42
Amer. Locomotive	85	86
Amer. Machine & Foundry	123	*122
Ass. Gas & Elec. $5 pfd.	*1 1/2	*1 1/2
Atl. Gulf & W. Ind.	21 1/2	25 1/2
Atlantic Refining	21 1/2	22
Atlas Corp.	6 1/2	6 1/2
Auburn Central Mfg	3 1/2	4
Bell Aircraft	21	*21
Bellanca Aircraft Cpn	5	4 1/2
Bridgeport Brass	11	*10 1/2
Bklyn Manhatton Trans.	6 1/2	6
Callanhan Zinc Lead	1 1/2	1 1/2
Climax Molybdenum	31 1/2	33 1/2
Cluett Peabody	31 1/2	31 1/2
Coml. Invest. Trust	36 1/2	35 1/2
Coml. Solvents	9 1/2	10
Corn. Products	46 1/2	46 1/2
Coty Inc.	4 1/2	4 1/2
Coty Int.	0 1/2	0 1/2
Elec. Boat Co.	14 1/2	15 1/2
Erie Rly.	0 1/2	*0 1/2
Int. Harvester	48 1/2	49
Jones & Laughlin 7% pfd.	103	*101 1/2
Nat Gypsum	7 1/2	7 1/2
Piper Aircraft	*6 1/2	*6 1/2
Pittsburg Coke & Iron	7	*6 1/2
Richfield Oil	8 1/2	8 1/2
Ryan Aeronautical	3 1/2	3 1/2
Southern Rly.	12 1/2	13
Sperry Corp.	33	33 1/2
Thompson Prods.	*31 1/2	32
Tidewater Ass. Oil	9 1/2	9 1/2
Twin City Rapid 7% cum	18 1/2	*17 1/2
Un. Light & Power "A"	0 1/2	0 1/2
U. S. Realty & Imp.	1 1/2	1 1/2
Youngstown Sheet & Tube	36 1/2	35 1/2
Royal Bank of Canada	—	155
Guaranty Trust	287	285

BONDS

Chicago, Milwaukee St. Paul	8	8 1/2
Denmark	40 1/2	41
Denver & Rio Grande	*8 1/2	10 1/2
New York, Chic. & St.	*79 1/2	*81 1/2
Oslo (City of Norway)	*25 1/2	25 1/2
Republic of Col	32	33 1/2
„ (1928)	32	*33 1/2
Republic Steel	103 1/2	103 1/2
Rio Grande do Sul	*7 1/2	*7 1/2
Sthrn. Rly.	77 1/2	78 1/2
N. Y. Government	101 1/2	102 1/2

*—Bid. —Ex Div.

Dow-Jones Summary

By courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz

Although a moderately firmer tone developed late in the session on the Stock Exchange today, traders were reluctant to undertake new commitments pending developments in the Balkans and also the purpose and success of Mr. Matsuoka's visit to the Axis capitals. Business news included Kennecott Copper net earnings of $4.05 per share against $3.14 per share last year; International Nickel $2.30 against $2.39; North American $1.92 against $1.99; and, American Cyanamid $2.44 against $2.07.

Stocks:—The recovery from earlier heaviness was an encouraging indication of a further rally. The substantially improved prospects of Paramount Pictures and Climax Molybdenum makes them good switches from slow movers, like American Rolling Mills, Republic Steel, Standard Brands, Greyhound, Technicolor and National Distillers.

STATISTICS

	This Week	Last Week
Business Failures	268	241
Demand Deposits in Federal Reserve Member Banks	$23,487 (millions)	$23,362 (millions)
	Week Ended 15/3	Week Ended 8/3
Crude Oil Daily Average Production (Petroleum Institute of N.Y.'s)	3,366,000 (barrels)	3,633,000 (barrels)

EARNINGS

Stock	Period	1940	1939
Kennecott Copper	Yr. 31/12	$4.05	$3.14
Montgomery Ward	„	4.14	4.91
American Cyanamid	„	2.44	2.07
Budd Manufacturing, common	„	0.75	——
Budd Manufacturing, 7% pfd.	„	3.66	——

Cotton:—Washington reports indicate that high parity loan bills are to be pushed in Congress, despite the Administration's opposition and that the Britain Bill includes $100,000,000 for cotton exports. This added to trade and Bombay buying caused a sharp advance.

Wheat:—The possibility of exports on the British lifting of the French blockade and crop damage reports found offerings light. The market advanced easily.

Rubber:—Reflected a slow factory demand and hedging. Delayed shipments have moving now.

Cocoa:—Reports of a German submarine in American waters spurred additional general buying. The market was firm at the advance.

Sugar No. 4:—Ruled fully steady. The moderate scale-up hedging was easily absorbed.

U.S. Commodities

Tuesday's Closing Quotations

New York, Mar, 18.

The cotton market early advanced on trade buying, a good "spot" demand and shorts covering. Later, prices further hardened on Washington reports that President Roosevelt intends to spend $100,000,000 of the Lease-and-Lend Bill funds for the export of cotton to Britain. Finally, the market closed firm on the strength of "spots" and general buying, with quotations ranging from 19 to 21 points up.

Prices in the rubber market today finished weak on reports that additional shipping facilities were available, the absence of buying and poor trade and factory interest. At the close, losses of 35 to 60 points were recorded.

Wheat futures in Chicago today advanced on Eastern buying, reports of frost damage, higher Winnipeg advices and a firm cotton market. At the final bell, gains of 1 5/8 to 1 7/8 cents were registered.

New York Cotton		New York Rubber	
May	10.81-81 +19	May	21.80-85 —60
July	10.78-78 +20	July	(N.C.)
Oct.	10.69-69 +19		21.50-50 —35
Dec.	10.69-69 +21	Sept.	(N.C.)
Jan.	10.67-67 +20		21.00 B —43
Mar.	10.65-65 +21	Dec.	(N.C.)
			20.90 N. —30

N. Y. Sugar No. 3		N. Y. Sugar No. 4	
May	2.38-40 unc. B/A	May	0.82-82 1/2 +1 B/A
July	2.42-43 +1 B/A	July	0.86-86 1/2 +1/2 B/A

Chicago Wheat		Chicago Corn	
May	87 3/8-87 3/4 +1 5/8	May	64 1/4-64 3/8 +1 1/4
July	84 7/8-84 1/4 +1 7/8	July	64 1/4-64 1/8 +7/8

New York Silk No. 1

May 2.81 1/2B-83A. +3

B—Bid. A—Asked.—Reuter.

British Commodities

Tuesday's Closing Quotations

London, Mar. 18.

Prices in the subber market today ruled quietly steady on some profit taking.

London Rubber: Spot, buyers 14 1/8 unc; sellers 14 1/4 —1/16; Apl. del. buyers 14 1/8 unc; sellers 14 1/4 —1/16.

Liverpool Cotton: American Futures: Mar. 8.65 —8; May 8.66 —8; July 8.67 —8; Oct. 8.61 —8. Egyptian Futures: Giza, F.G.F. No. 7, No. 2 Contract: Mar. 11.09 —1; May 11.08 —1; July 11.04 —1; Nov. 11.06 —1.

London Metals: Tin, Standard, cash, middle price £271 3/8 —3/4; 3 mths, middle price £269 1/4 —5/8.—Reuter.

Local Commodities

Yesterday's Prices

Cotton yn. 20's, D.H. p.b.	Cash	$1,412
Tungchow cotton ..	per picul	222
Shanghai cotton ..	per picul	208
Raw silk, Steamfil, 20/22 78%		$5,300
Flour, local ..	per bag (49lb.)	$25.00
Flour, imported	per bag (49lb.)	32.00

Trading Dull on Stock Exchange

New York, Mar. 18.

Trading was dull today on the Stock Exchange, while prices displayed no definite trend. Bonds were irregularly higher, while commodities again advanced, touching approximately the best levels of 1941.

Cotton seed oil, domestic sugar, coffee and silk futures were highest since 1937. September wheat was up two cents and corn and rye were up more than one cent.

The majority of market commentators continued to urged caution, though some felt the line of least resistance still was upward. Wall Street construed the enactment of the lend-lease bill as increasing the possibility of the United States' being drawn into the war.

Whether that would have a bearish effect was not stated, but most experts felt that it would introduce new problems and make for market uncertainty. Market analysts were impressed by President Roosevelt's speech, but said it contained nothing that private experts had not already brought out.—United Press.

London Bullion

London, Mar. 18.

London Gold: Bar, Fine, per oz...168/- unchanged.

London Silver: There was little trade, owing to the lightness of offers. The market was steady. After the official fixing, the market remained steady, with buyers satisfied.

Spot	23 1/2d. unch.
Forward	23 7/16d. unch.

—Reuter.

N.Y.K. New Baggage Ruling

Los Angeles, Mar. 18.

The Nippon

FROM DAY TO DAY

THERE will be a celebration of Holy Communion in the Bubbling Well Chapel today at 10.30 a.m.

MR. Alfred Morley gives his "Weekly Commentary on World Affairs" from XCDN tomorrow at 8.20 p.m.

MR. L. F. Bright is continuing his talk on "Physical Education for Women" from XCDN tomorrow at 3.50 p.m. during the ladies hour.

AT its first general meeting held in Chungking on March 16, the China Press Association invited a number of high Chinese Government officials to be honorary members, says a report to the "Sin Wan Pao."

THE resignation of Mr. Franklin Ho, as Vice-Director of the National Foodstuff Control Bureau, was accepted by the Chinese National Government in a public announcement issued in Chungking on Tuesday, the "Sin Wan Pao" states.

VOTING ratepayers desirous of having copies of the S.M.C. annual report forwarded to them are requested to notify the Secretary and Commissioner General of Council, 209 Kiangse Road, by letter, marking the envelope "Annual Report."

PROPOSALS for the establishment of an industrial school and a physical training ground in Hongkew will be presented to the regular session of the assembly of the Japanese Residents' Corporation which will convene on March 25, the "Shanghai Mainichi" reports.

MEMORIAL services will be held at Nanking on March 21, on the occasion of the second anniversary of the death of the late Dr. Tseng Chung-ming, the "Tairiku Shimpo" reports. Similar services also will be held in Shanghai and other places under the jurisdiction of the Nanking government, the paper added.

TODAY at 5.30 p.m. there will be a joint meeting of the Royal Asiatic Society (N.C.B.) and the International Institute of China in the auditorium at 20 Museum Road when a lecture entitled "Indo-China" will be given by Dr. W. H. Hudspeth. The meeting is open to the public who will be welcomed.

GENERAL Ma Hung-kuei, Chairman of the Kansu Provincial Government made a personal gift on Monday of CN$1,500,000 to aid agriculture in view of the coming Spring sowing season, the "Shun Pao" reports. The money will be used to buy seeds and farming implements which will be distributed to indigent farmers by various district authorities.

THE Yen hereafter will be the sole monetary unit used by the Shanghai Japanese Residents' Corporation, following a formal decision which will be taken at the regular meeting of the Corporation which will be convened on March 25, the "Shanghai Mainichi" reports. The move, according to the paper, is being taken as a result of the spectacular collapse of the fapi.

THE Chinese Goodwill Mission to Burma and India, headed by General Shang Chen, Director of the Administrative Department of Military Affairs Commission, will leave Rangoon shortly for India, says a Hongkong message to the "Cheng Yien Pao." The Mission has been entertained by prominent Chinese in Rangoon including Mr. Li Wen-tseng, Mr. Wu Wen-chu and Mr. Chen Pi-feng.

STUDENTS of the Aurora University, faculty of law, and the economic section, conducted by Professors R. P. Saguez de Breuvery, political economy, and Jan Seba, banking expert, yesterday visited the Shanghai Stock Exchange. The students were received by Mr. E. H. Parrott, secretary and Mr. L. Soya member of the Exchange, and after being introduced by M. Saguez de Breuvery, had the working of the Exchange explained to them.

UNDER orders from the Ministry of Finance,, the Central Trust of China has now taken over the machinery of the former Bureau of Engraving and Printing to continue the work of engraving and printing revenue and postage stamps and banknotes, says a Chungking message to the "Cheng Yien Pao." The capital of the Central Trust of China has now been increased by another C$50,000,000 for the purpose of establishing branch engraving and printing factories in Kweiyang, Sian, Lanchow, and Kian during the current year.

Yesterday's Arrivals

Name	From	Consignees
U.S.S. Luzon	Cruise	—
Venice M.	Japan	Showa S.
Tainan M.	Tsingtao	T.K.K.
Kyoei M. 2	Dairen	—
Nitto M.	Keelung	T.K.K.
Meiyo	Hsinkong	S.V.O.C.
Dairen M.	Dairen	D.K.K.
Coldbrook	Seattle	Everett
Eldorado	Saigon	E. Asiatic
Nagasaki M.	Japan	T.K.K.
Vincent	U.S.A.	A.P.L.

Yesterday's Departures

Name	Flag	Despatcher
Hoten M.	Jap.	D.K.K.
Peihua	Jap.	K.U.K.
B. de St. Pierre	Fr.	M.M.
Meiyo M.	Jap.	M.B.K.
Keizan M.	Jap.	Y.K.K.

Men-of-War in Port

Name	Flag	Type	Berthed
Oahu	Am.	Gbt.	B.N.B.
D de Lagree	Fr.	Gbt.	K.S.D.
Fran. Garnier	Fr.	Gbt.	F.N.B.
E. Carlotto	Itl.	Gbt.	1-2 B.
Lepanto	Itl.	Gbt.	1-2 B.

SHIPPING NEWS

The ss. **Vincent** of the American President Lines arrived in port yesterday from Baltimore via New York, Norfolk, Savannah, Panama Canal and Manila.

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The ss. **Dona Nati**, De La Rama Steamship Co., Inc., agents, is due to sail today for New York via Hongkong, Manila, Los Angeles and Panama Canal.

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The ss. **Venice Maru** of the Showa Kisen Kaisya is due to sail today for Baltimore via Los Angeles, San Francisco, New York, Boston and Philadelphia carrying with her mail and passengers.

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The ss. **Coldbrook**, Everett Steamship Corp. Agents, is due today with mail and passengers from Seattle via Japan ports and will berth alongside the Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf, Shanghai side. She is due to sail tomorrow after a 24 hour stay in port.

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The ss. **Nagasaki Maru** of the Toa Kaiun Kaisya operating between Shanghai and Nagasaki arrived in port yesterday afternoon and berthed alongside the company's Wayside Wharf. The liner will remain in port overnight sailing again for Japan at 8.30 a.m. today. Registered and ordinary mail closed at the Post Office at 7.30 and 8 p.m. last night respectively.

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The ss. **Dairen Maru** of the D.K.K. operating on the Shanghai-Tsingtao run arrived here yesterday afternoon and docked alongside the company's Whangpoo Wharf. After a stay in port of 36 hours the liner will sail tomorrow for northern ports. Registered and ordinary mail for the ship will be closed at the Post Office at 8 p.m. today and 7.15 a.m. respectively tomorrow.

Vessels Arriving To-day

The following particulars in connection with vessels due to arrive today are based upon information available yesterday evening.

From **MANILA & HONGKONG:** Kamakura Maru, with mail, due in the evening, Wayside Wharf.

From **NAGASAKI:** Kobe Maru, with mail, due 3 p.m., Yangtsepoo Wharf.

Due at Future Dates

All vessels are listed under their terminal port. The first date is that of the ship's departure from that port, and the second is the date she is due to arrive in Shanghai. Where a ship's name is duplicated it indicates the port of call last visited.

On account of the present international situation there is considerable interference with movements of ships, especially those from Europe. In cases where it is definitely known that the vessel is not running to schedule the Shanghai arrival date is omitted.

STRAITS AND INDIA

From Bombay		From Karachi	
London M	— 22/3	Haruna M	— 25/3

AMERICA AND JAPAN

From New York		From Honolulu	
P Grant	— 25/3	Asama M	16/3 7/4
Hokkai M	— 25/3	**From Manila**	
P Jackson	— 26/3	P Taft	16/3 23/3
P Coolidge	— 6/4	**From Yokohama**	
H'roku M	— 10/4	Yawata M	15/3 24/3
P Hayes	— 16/4	Tokiwa M	— 1/4
From Los Angeles		**From Kobe**	
Yawata M	24/3 24/3	Taiyo M	22/3 24/3
Asama M	10/3 7/4	**From Nagasaki**	
From Seattle		S'hai M	21/3 22/3
C Alava	10/3 26/3		
Capillo	10/3 4/4		

CHINA PORTS

From Dairen	
T'tao M	20/3 22/3

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The undermentioned vessels are due to leave Shanghai on the dates indicated.

For Karachi		For Manila	
Tokiwa M	2/4	Coldbrook	21/3
For Capetown		Yawata M	25/3
P Grant	27/3	P Grant	27/3
P Jackson	27/3	P Jackson	27/3
For New York		Capillo	7/4
Hokkai M	26/3	Asama M	8/4
P Grant	27/3	P Coolidge	9/4
P Jackson	27/3	**For Hongkong**	
Awata M	28/3	P Grant	27/3
Hokuroku M	11/4	P Jackson	27/3
P Hayes	17/4	Capillo	7/4
For Los Angeles		**For Yokohama**	
Kamakura M	21/3	Kamakura M	21/3
P Taft	25/3	Haruna M	21/3
Hokkai M	26/3	**For Kobe**	
P Grant	27/3	Taiyo M	26/3
Yawata M	4/4	**For Nagasaki**	
P Cleveland	5/4	Nagasaki M	20/3
Hokuroku M	11/4	Kobe M	21/3
For Seattle		Shanghai M	23/3
Coldbrook	21/3	**For Dairen**	
Cape Alava	28/3	Dairen M	21/3
Capillo	7/4	Tsingtao M	24/3
		Hoten M	26/3

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ss. HOTEN MARU	Mar. 24	Mar. 26	at 9 a.m.
ss. DAIREN MARU	Mar. 27	Mar. 28	at 9 a.m.
ss. TSINGTAO MARU	Mar. 30	Mar. 31	at 9 a.m.

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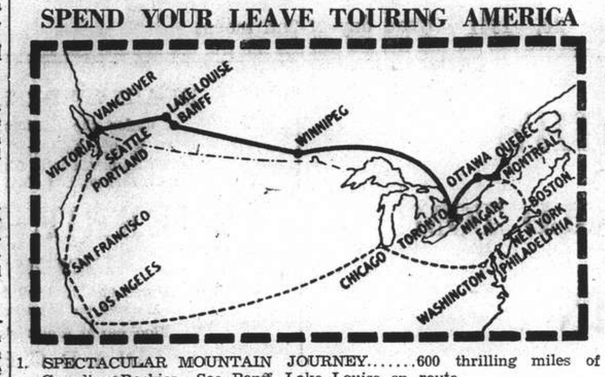

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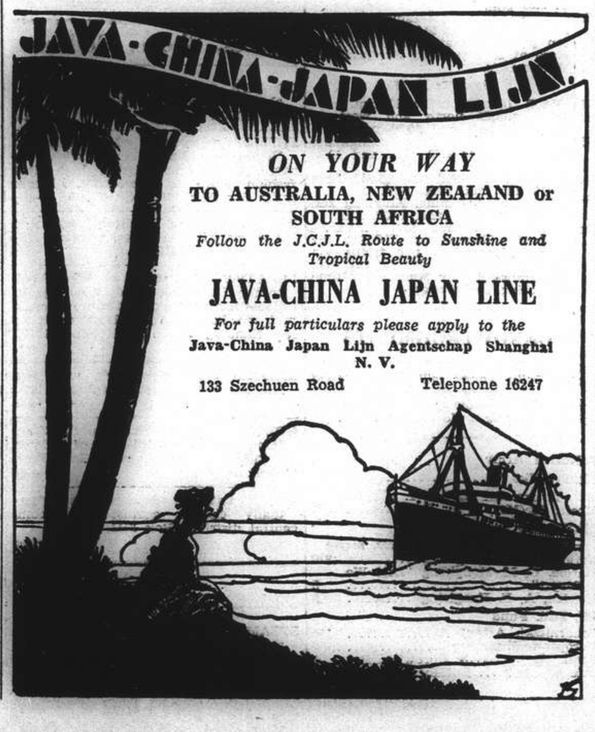

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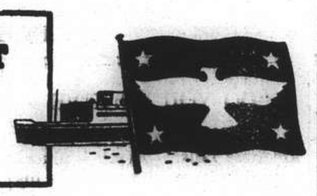

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„ same date last year	min. 42.0 max. 46.0	min. 41.5 max. 47.8

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SHANGHAI, THURSDAY, MARCH 20, 1941 (23rd day of 2nd moon)

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BIRTH

CATER.—On March 19, 1941, at the C.I.M. Hospital, Shanghai, to CONSTANCE (née Grove), wife of Dr. D. B. Cater, a daughter. 11559

ENGAGEMENT

FANTHAM-KOROTT.—The engagement is announced between REGINALD, son of Mr. Henry H. Fantham, Sr., and the late Mrs. Fantham, of Royal Leamington Spa, England, and GALINA, daughter of Mr. J. R. Korott and the late Mrs. S. R. Korott, of Shanghai. (Hongkong and Singapore papers please copy.). -4204

DEATHS

PISSAREVSKY.—On March 18, 1941, at Hongkong, Mrs. E. PISSAREVSKY, mother of G. J. Pissarevsky. 11570

TAYLOR.—On March 16, 1941, suddenly in England. CLAUDE SINCLAIR, TAYLOR, M.I.E.E., MEM.A.I.E.E., formerly Vice-President and General Manager, Shanghai Power Company, aged 55 years. (By cable.) 11576

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TO-DAY'S EVENTS

MARCH

20 Tor. Y. Lecture-'Peking the Jewel of Asia' by Dr. A. Von Mortal, 9 p.m.
20 R. L. Op. 'Charms of Spring' Lyc. 8.45
20 Royal Asiatic Society Lecture on 'Indo-China'
20 *Chinese Post Office formally established (1896)*
20 *French Premier (M. Daladier) resigned (1940)*

COMING EVENTS

MARCH

21 Lilavati Indian Danseuse Lyc., 9.15
23 S'hai Municipal Orchestra Lyc. 5.15
25 Shanghai Club, Annual Meeting, 5.30
26 Annual Meeting China Bible House
27 Cradle Bridge/Mahjongg S.I.B.C. 3
27 U.S. Marines/Police Amateur Boxing Smoker, S.V.C. Drill Hall 8.30 p.m.
29 A.D.C. 'Merrie England' Lyc 9 p.m.
30 Christian Science B'cast, XMHA, 6.30
31 A.D.C. 'Merrie England' Lyc. 9 p.m.

APRIL

1 A.D.C. 'Merrie England' Lyc. 9 p.m.
1 Royal Air Force Association, Annual Dinner at The Dome 8.30
2 A.D.C. 'Merrie England' Lyc. 9 p.m.
3 A.D.C. 'Merrie England' Lyc. 9 p.m.
4 A.D.C. 'Merrie England' Lyc. 9 p.m.
5 A.D.C. 'Merrie England' Lyc 3.00
6 A.D.C. 'Merrie England' Lyc. 9 p.m.
10 Jumble Sale Limbless, U. C. Hall. 9.30 a.m.
13 Christian Science B'cast, XMHA, 6.30
17 Royal Asiatic Society Lecture on 'Ching Teh Chen'

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L. H. LAWFORD.
Commissioner of Customs.

CUSTOM HOUSE,
Shanghai, March 18, 1941.
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E. H. PARROTT,
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Dated. March 19, 1941. 11569

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Barometer (inches)	29.85	29.89	29.91	29.99
at 32 F. (variation for 24 hrs.)	—0.06	—0.04	+0.01	+0.06
at 32 F. („ 12 hrs.)	—0.05	—0.04	+0.06	+0.10
Wind (direction)	SW	SSW	SW	SW
„ (miles per hour)	13.7	11.8	10.6	9.9
Temperature (Fahr.)	71.4°	37.6°	51.3°	63.3°
Humidity (per cent)	39	77	90	64
Nebulosity (0 to 10)	1	0	0	0
Rainfall (inches)	—	—	—	—

Siccawei Abridged Report Mar. 18	Mean 1941	24 hrs. variation	68 years average
Barometer (mean 4 obs.)	29.89	—0.06	30.15
Temp. min. 45.5° max. 73.0°	60.2°	+1.6°	47.0°
Total rainfall January 1 to midnight before last (inches)	8.71	—	6.26

Time and Tide	20/3	21/3	22/3	23/3	24/3	25/3	26/3
Sun rises at Shanghai	5.59	5.58	5.57	5.56	5.55	5.53	5.52
Sun sets at Shanghai	18.05	18.05	18.06	12.06	18.07	18.08	18.09
Moon rises at Shanghai	0.24	1.19	2.09	2.55	3.37	4.15	4.50
Moon sets at Shanghai	11.16	12.12	13.09	14.05	15.01	15.56	16.50
Flood makes Stal. (day)	15.51	17.15	5.25	6.55	8.18	9.21	10.12
Ebb makes Shai. (day)	8.22	9.27	11.05	12.12	13.13	14.00	14.48
H.W. W'sung Bar (day)	17.40	6.15	8.10	9.35	10.40	11.15	11.40
Ht. above LLW. (feet)	7.82	7.47	8.30	8.50	9.38	9.64	8.90

THE WEATHER

(See top of page, left)

State on the morning of the 18th:—Low and unsteady pressure over China and Japan. South-easterly to south-westerly winds along the China Coast. Fine, hazy and milder weather.

State on the morning of the 19th:—Fine and mild weather. South-westerly breezes. Low and rising pressure.—Siccawei Observatory.

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(See top of page, right)

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U.S.S.R. Europe via Siberia	18.30	20.00
Hongkong and Canton	19.30	20.00
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Tsingtao and Dairen	*20.00	7.15
Japan Korea via Nagasaki	*20.00	7.15
Japan (via Kobe) Honolulu U.S.A. Canada and Europe via Pacific	x*20.00	8.00
Shenkiamen and Tinghai	9.30	10.00
Amoy Swatow and Canton	14.30	15.00
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao	18.30	19.00
Nantung	18.30	19.00
Manila and Indo-China .. A	19.30	20.00
SATURDAY, March 22.		
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Hongkong and Canton	x 8.30	9.00
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